

June 2024 Edition

Welcome to this month's edition of **Beverley Highlife**. I hope that you will enjoy reading about what has been happening this month at Beverley High School.

Sharon Japp, Headteacher

## Dance Stars

During May half term four Beverley High School students competed in the International Dance Teachers' Association (IDTA) National Musical Theatre Awards final in Blackpool and came second! They were part of a 12-person group from Miss Rachael's School of Dance. Their dance teacher, Miss Rachael Mellins, is also an ex-Beverley High School student. The twelve children were aged between 9 and 14 and were competing against groups containing 18 year olds! They did amazingly well.

The four dancers were Izzy J and Hollie F from Year 9 and Ania L and Lily-Mae E from Year 7. Thank you to Izzy's mum for sharing this success story with us. Your school is very proud of you all.



## Translatathon East Riding Final 2024

MFL students have been working hard throughout the year learning phrases in French and German for the first ever East Riding Translatathon Competition. In school we had class competitions and the top scorers went through from Years 8 & 9 to compete in the final which was held at Beverley Grammar School on 24<sup>th</sup> June.

We had one team of French finalists and one team of German finalists who had to work as a team and translate as many phrases correctly in 1 minute. Students dedicated their lunchtimes and form time to practise this and showed real teamwork skills.

On the evening we went head to head with other teams from 5 other secondary schools and I am pleased to say that our German team got through to the final and went head to head with a Spanish and French team in which they won with an outstanding 59 sentences translated correctly across the team. Well done, we are very proud of you!



## Poster Competition Winners

Last month, the Art department encouraged Year 8 students to participate in a poster design competition run by Humberside Police. We recently learned that three of our students had been awarded Runner Up prizes and a further four students were Highly Commended. Police and Crime Commissioner, Jonathan Evison came into school earlier this month to award certificates and vouchers to Isabel S, Sophie B and Elizabeth R. Highly Commended certificates were also presented to Lydia W, Nia J, Emily G and Emily B by the Art department. Congratulations to all who submitted their designs and were successful.



**VIOLENCE PREVENTION POSTER COMPETITION**

**HOW IT WORKS:**  
 Design a poster idea on the theme of "Violence Prevention".  
 Examples:  
 - What makes you feel safe?  
 - What does safe mean to you?  
 - What makes you feel comfortable and at ease?  
 - Where is a safe place/environment?  
 You can design your poster any way you like. Paper/ pencil, computer, phone. All please tell us if you have used AI, photos, any way you can. It should fit the size of a standard piece of paper (A4).  
 Your poster will be submitted by email so you might need to scan or take a photo of it.

The winners are invited (along with up to 3 friends), to work with The Warren Youth Project in Hull and Fourain Arts Association in Scarborough, to bring their design to digital life with the help of professional Graphic Designers.

The winning entries will feature in an public awareness campaign, shown on digital billboards and social media. All entries from stage 1 will be displayed at a public exhibition.

**PRIZES**  
 2 winners get £100 gift voucher each, + £200 of vouchers for the winning school/youth group.  
 2x £25 Gift Voucher  
 2x £10 Gift Voucher

**KEY INFORMATION**  
 For ages 11 to 16.  
 Submission: 1st of May - Final day for submitting posters.  
 Saturday 18th of May (Scunthorpe) - Workshops to hold with the winners.  
 Saturday 19th of May (High-Workings) to hold with the winners.  
 Friday 24th of May to Saturday 8th of June - Artwork will be exhibited.  
 Designs are to be submitted to teachers and mentors who provide you with approval of your school or youth association.



## Ferens Young Artist Open Exhibition

Congratulations to Year 9 student Alice P who has had her work selected for the Ferens Young Artist Open exhibition after being asked to design a tile as part of a display for Tickton Village Hall. The exhibition opened on Friday and runs until Sunday 22 September at the Ferens Art Gallery in Hull city centre.



## Head Student Elections

We are delighted to announce the appointment of Abigail as Head Girl, Theo as Head Boy, Hallie as Deputy Head Girl and Rhys as Deputy Head Boy. The election was closely fought and we were so impressed by the maturity, confidence and respect shown by all the candidates throughout the election. Congratulations to our new Head Student Team.



## French Exchange Visit to Millau – 10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> June 2024

18 students were accompanied by Dr Cosquer, Mrs Gardiner and Miss Clark to spend a week in their French partner families. The students attended school, took part in visits to the local area and spent time in their families. Some of their reflections on the week are featured below but please visit the blog

<https://sites.google.com/view/millaubeverley-2024/voyages-trips/trip-to-millau-june?authuser=1> for more photos and articles.

Here are some comments from our students after the visit:

*'I learnt that I can survive without my family and I can learn French I just have to put in the hard work'*

*'I'm beyond grateful for all the efforts contributed by all the teachers, students and parents involved that made it an unforgettable experience'*

*'I enjoyed this trip so much and had a wonderful time'*

## Journal de Millau

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# "Un esprit d'ouverture" pour accueillir les élèves de Beverley à Millau



Les élèves de Beverley Ont investit la Cité du gant. / Journal de Millau - L. B.

The local newspaper reports on our visit

Completing a town trail with French partners



The students together after enjoying a picnic by the River Tarn





**MARDI**

*Emma a un cerisier dans sa village, donc après l'école moi Emma et Nasreen avons cueilli des cerises en écoutant de la musique. Avant ça, nous sommes allés à la bibliothèque ou j'ai acheté deux livres en français. -EMMA*



Sampling the food in the canteen

*Natasha - Hier, j'ai eu l'anglais, la musique, l'histoire et la technologie, c'était vraiment bruyant. Après l'école, nous sommes allés à la plage et nous avons joué au volley-ball. Aussi, Eva-Rose et moi sommes allées faire du shopping mais je n'ai rien acheté. Hier soir, j'ai essayé les pommes aligot avec des patates et saucisses. Ensuite, nous avons joué à uno et j'ai gagné.*

*Abby: Le nom de mon partenaire français est Tao, il est gentil, confiant et amical. Il vit avec sa mère et son beau-père, ils m'ont tous très bien accueilli dans leur belle maison. Ils préparent des plats supers délicieux et communiquent toujours avec moi. J'ai l'impression que vivre avec eux a amélioré mon français et leur anglais. Mercredi, nous sommes tous allés à la rivière et avons joué au volley-ball, c'était vraiment amusant.*

## German Trip to Cologne



At the end of May we took a group of 40 students to Cologne, Germany. We had a really lovely time understanding and speaking German and learning a little more about German culture. The students tell you in their own words about the trip:

“As part of the German trip to Cologne we went on a river cruise across the River Rhine which passes all the way through the city. It was nice to sit and look across both sides of the river and observe the area we were staying in. We also visited the Drachenburg castle. It had a beautiful view of the river and the scenery was amazing. We were able to walk around the inside of the castle and around its garden providing many opportunities for some pretty photos. Overall, I really enjoyed my experience on the German trip and would definitely go back to Cologne.” (Annabel)





“We really enjoyed our time in Köln. We enjoyed all of the activities and the café (Café Konditorei Eigel) had amazing food. The cakes were different to English snacks but they were very delicious. Our favourite thing we did was the castle and its gardens as they were stunning. All of the German locals were lovely and nice to interact with. The restaurant food was delicious and we really recommend going if you ever find yourself in Köln. But most importantly, thank you to the teachers who provided us the trip and who made it special treat. And thank you to our amazing bus driver, Matt, who drove us everywhere as we were all passenger princesses.” (Izzy and Ava)

“I absolutely loved it. I really enjoyed all the things that we did and speaking in German. My favourite day must be Thursday when we went to the zoo, the Köln cathedral and the chocolate factory. I would really recommend this trip to anyone learning German.” (Martha)



“I loved this German trip, I enjoyed watching people perform in the talent show and hanging out and making friends. I also loved going on the ferry because it had really nice views.” (Charlotte)



## Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Final Expedition

On Friday 21 and Saturday 22 June, our Year 9 Bronze DofE cohort took on their final expedition in the Allertorpe area, beginning their journey at the scenic village of Bishop Wilton and arriving triumphantly at Langlands Garden Centre at Shiptonthorpe. Pupils had clearly gained in confidence and experience from their practice expedition, and once again had an impressive amount of energy in the evening to play rounders at the campsite! (Allertorpe Lakeland Park). Our staff and the external Assessor were very impressed by the conduct of the pupils throughout the expedition, their perseverance and their teamwork in challenging conditions due to the beautiful but hot weather. We'd like to congratulate the teams on another very successful expedition, and for completing this part of their Bronze Award. We hope as many as possible will go on to achieve their full Award, and consider taking on their next challenge with the Silver Award in Year 10!



## Hay Festival Trip

On 24th May, intrepid Year 9 pupils gathered in the early hours to set off to the Hay Festival in Hay-on-Wye, for a special Schools Day celebrating Young Adult Fiction. As well as getting the chance to explore the festival site and bookshop, pupils enjoyed talks by a range of Young Adult authors and poets. For a special recording of BBC Radio 4's Front Row live at the festival, Sophie R was selected by BBC producers to ask the star panel (Anthony Horowitz, Alex Wheatle, Manon Steffan Ross and Frances Hardinge) her question about how they know when their novel is finished - an excellent question! After their festival visit, pupils also enjoyed skimming stones during a scenic walk along the river, and also spent time in the sun exploring Hay Castle. We were very proud of the pupils' exemplary conduct throughout the trip.

## Geography Fieldwork in Withernsea

A slightly overcast day didn't stop the GCSE Year 10 Geographers from enjoying a day exploring the beach at Withernsea. The low tide allowed them to explore the longshore drift measurements on the groynes, and oranges and varnished stones to see just how quickly material moved along the coast. Fish, chips and ice cream at lunchtime completed a lovely day.



## Mountain Biking in Dalby Forest

On 6<sup>th</sup> June, ten Year 9 pupils visited Dalby for a day of Mountain Biking. Throughout the day the pupils learnt the skills needed for biking off road and enjoy trips through Dalby on their bikes. They had to manoeuvre over tree roots and rocks, around tight corners and ditches and keep control of their bike throughout. The activities were run by the East Riding Road Safety team who funded both the equipment and three instructors for the day. We were lucky to have nice weather which made it even more enjoyable. The pupils not only learnt new biking skills but many conquered their fears. Well done to all involved.



## Oxford University Visit

27 Year 11 students from Beverley High and Grammar Schools travelled to Oxford on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June to spend the day discovering what it is like to study at Oxford University. They took part in a college tour, heard a presentation about how to make the most of A level study and also experienced a tutorial-style session at the Pitt Rivers Museum.



The group at Mansfield College



Lunch in Hall

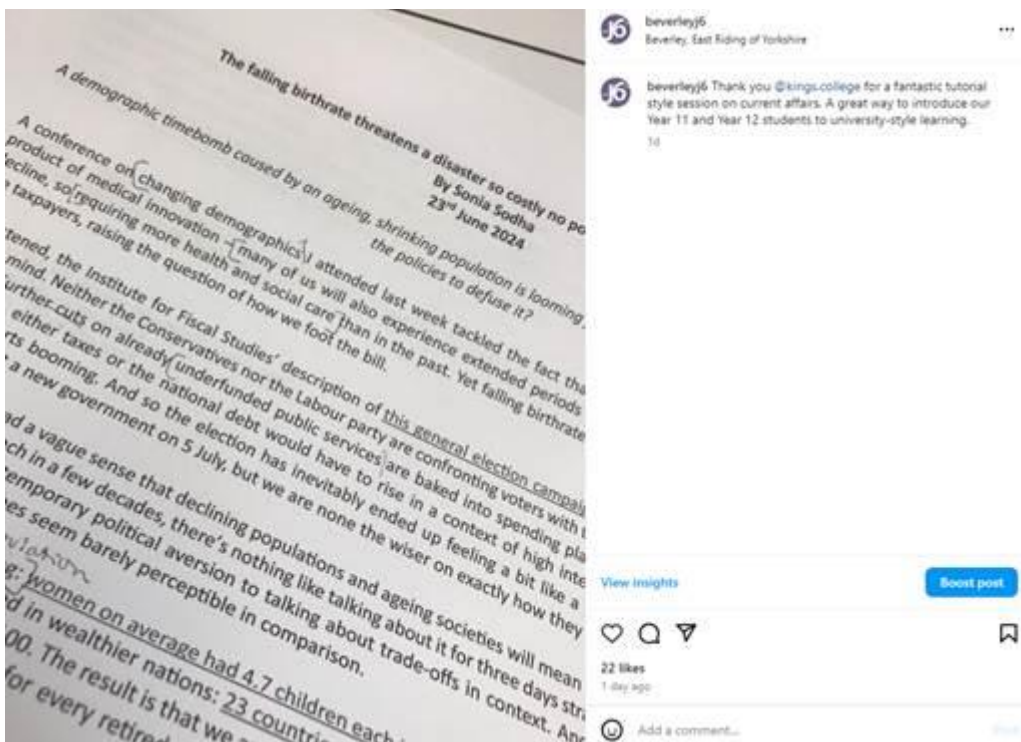


Taking part in the handling session at the Pitt Rivers Museum



## Cambridge Humanities Workshop

Ellie, our Schools Liaison Officer from King’s College, Cambridge visited school on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June to deliver a Humanities workshop to Year 11 and 12 students. The students analysed and discussed a recent newspaper article and enjoyed the opportunity to experience tutorial-style learning.



## Year 11 Prom

It was wonderful to celebrate with our Year 11 students on Prom Night on the 21<sup>st</sup> June. The Mercure, Willerby was the venue and students and staff enjoyed celebrating the end of GCSEs together.



## Year 13 Prom

Over 100 staff and students gathered at Cave Castle Hotel to celebrate the end of exams and students' time at Beverley Joint 6<sup>th</sup>. It was a wonderful evening filled with dancing and giving students a chance to wish each other well as they begin the next stage of their lives. We wish them all the very best for the future.



## Art, Photography, Textiles & DT Exhibition

On the evening of Wednesday 12th June, the Art, Photography, Textiles and DT departments held their annual exhibition of Year 11 and Year 13 student work. The evening was a great success and it was nice to see so many students and their friends and family. Showcasing the work is a nice reward for all the hard work and dedication that the students demonstrate throughout their time with us.







**Year 11 Thank Yous**

Before leaving, Year 11 students wrote mini thank you notes which are displayed in school outside the staff room for teachers and support staff to read. This is a lovely way of capturing the gratitude students feel towards the adults in school who have taught, nurtured and supported them over the last five years. Thank you, Year 11.



**KS3 Debate Club: Create your own political party**

Our wonderful Key Stage 3 Debate Club members took part once again in a termly competition in June, this time with a twist: to create their own local political party and present their manifesto to the judges to secure their votes! The judges were particularly impressed with the confidence with which pupils articulated their ideas for improving facilities in Beverley and Hull. All teams worked exceptionally hard to produce powerpoint presentations, pamphlets and even stickers to promote their parties, and the judges would like to congratulate all teams for making their decision a very difficult one!

- Winners:                   Aimee B and Arabella F
- Highly commended:   Kitty A, Agatha B and Daisy B
- Participating teams:   Gabby B & Jamie L, Eliza M & Millie R

Our next competition takes place at Beverley Grammar School on Thursday 4th July, in an Election Day special!

## Sports Report

### Quad Athletics Success

At the end of last month, we were happy to receive the results of the East Riding Quad Athletics competition. Both our Years 7/8 and Years 9/10 teams came **1st place** out of ten schools in the East Riding. This meant we were through to the Humber Finals at Costello.

In the Final, two schools from each of the Humber areas: East Riding, Hull, North Lincolnshire and North East Lincolnshire competed again in the four events of 100m, 800m Vortex throw and Long Jump and a mixed relay to finish.

Both teams including the boys from the Grammar school had some fantastic results and every student played their part in what was a great team event!

It was a fabulous sunny day which everyone enjoyed.

**Overall our Year 9/10 team came 3<sup>rd</sup> and our Year 7/8 team came 4<sup>th</sup>.** Well done to all who played.



## Year 7-9 Humberside Athletics



We took a group of students to compete in the Humberside Athletics Championships at Costello Stadium. Every athlete competed in two events against other students from both East Riding and Hull schools. Points for times and distances were recorded and counted towards a team result.

**Our Year 7 team came 3<sup>rd</sup> and our Year 8/9 team came 7<sup>th</sup> in the competition.**

There were some amazing individual results, with students gaining some PB's including Darcie winning the Year 8/9 High Jump and Hattie winning the Javelin event. Well done to all competitors.

Year 9 & 10 Rounders Fixture

Thankfully, over the last couple of weeks the weather has improved and allowed us to finally complete some rounders fixtures. The Year 9 and 10 teams really enjoyed playing a triangular match against South Hunsley and Wolfeaton schools. The Year 10 team won all of their games and the Year 9's won one and lost one. It was a great evening with some superb fielding skills.



Year 9 End of Season Rounders Tournament

Our Year 9 students competed in the East Riding Schools' End of Season Rounders Tournament at Cottingham High School. They batted and fielded really well and have made great improvements from last year.

Well done to Megan who was really decisive in her fielding skills and shared her knowledge and expertise in leading other students in the team.

We are still waiting to hear the results from this competition.



## Year 10 End of Season Rounders

Our Year 10 team travelled to Headlands School to play in their end of season tournament. Well done to Molly H who captained the team superbly and showed outstanding batting and fielding skills. In one of our games, Beverley High School managed to catch seven of the opposing teams' batters out! Overall, we came 5<sup>th</sup> place.



## Year 8 Tennis & Year 7 Rounders v Driffield

Our Year 7 Rounders team had a great match against Driffield School last Monday, we were a couple of players down but our Year 7 students played incredibly well as a team, backing each other up and showing great communication to gain a win.

On the same night Year 8 played some doubles tennis matches and for many of these students it was the first tennis game they had ever played. Their skills and knowledge of the rules improved as the games went on and Beverley managed to win overall on games.



## Year 7 & 8 Tennis v Wolfreton



We had a fun afternoon of tennis matches with our Year 7 & 8 students at Wolfreton School. Students played five timed doubles games using tie-break scoring to gain as many points as they could. There were some great rallies and good doubles tactics used to enable our students to win overall. All the students from both schools really enjoyed the games and it was nice to see so many students enthusiastic to play tennis!

## Year 10 Tennis v Tranby



Our Year 10 students were happy to take some time out of their end of year exams' revision to play some friendly games against Tranby School. The students played four short sets of doubles games, with some wins and losses, overall losing on games to Tranby. All the students improved as the games went on and thoroughly enjoyed the competition.

Well done to Isabel and Jess, our younger students who played up for the Year 10 team and managed to win all of their doubles games!

Inter-House Tennis – Years 7 & 8



Over the last couple of weeks, we have run an inter-house tennis competition for our Year 7 and 8 students. Four students from each house came down at lunchtime to battle it out against each other in some doubles' games. There were some very close matches and it was good to see all the students giving up their time lunchtime to gain extra points for their House.

The final results are below:

|               | <b>1st</b> | <b>2nd</b> | <b>3rd</b> | <b>4th</b> | <b>5th</b> |
|---------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Tennis Year 7 | MW         | HL         | MB         | MP         | PA         |
| Tennis Year 8 | MW         | MP         | HL         | PA         | MB         |

English Schools' Athletics Success



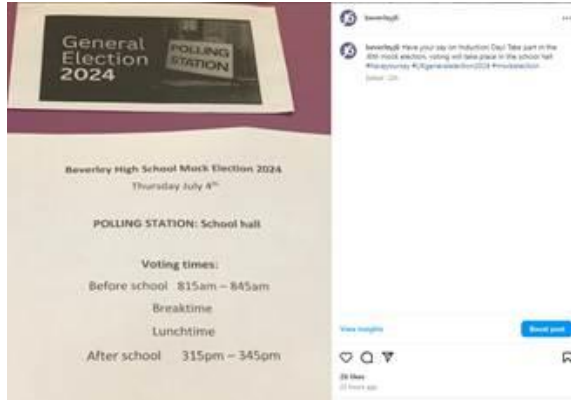
A huge congratulations to Meisha L (Year 11) & Tabitha F (Year 13) who have achieved the entry standard and been selected to represent Humberside schools in the English Schools Track & Field championships. The competition is being held at Birmingham Alexander Stadium on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> July.

Meisha had to achieve an entry time of less than 2 minutes 16s for the 800m and Tabitha will be competing in the 1500m, for which an entry time of less than 4 minutes 42 seconds had to be achieved.

Both students have trained exceedingly hard over the last couple of years to qualify and be selected for this competition, it is an amazing achievement and we wish them the best of luck!

## Mock Election in School

As the country goes to the polls on 4<sup>th</sup> July, students at Beverley High School, Beverley Grammar School and Beverley J6th will be taking part in a mock election. All students will be able to vote at the school polling station which will be located in the school hall.



## Forty Years On.....School Reunion

On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June we welcomed back former students marking 40 years since they left Beverley High School. For many, it had been 40 years since they last saw each other, and yet it was heart-warming to listen to the exchange of stories and memories from their "happiest days."

It is clear that Beverley High has always been a school that fosters a strong sense of community. This community spirit is what allows groups of students to reconnect and "feel like we only saw each other last week."



**Beverley Highlife** enjoys introducing you to alumna of the school who tell us about their life since leaving Beverley High School.



**Name** Penny Hardaker (nee Harper)

**When did you leave Beverley High School?** I left Beverley High School in 1970.

**A few details about your profession/daily work**

The major part of my career was with a dental manufacturing company where I worked my way up to become Director of Training & Professional Relations for the Middle East and Africa division. During this time I was also responsible for operations in South Africa, which involved spending two weeks every month in the country.

Travel within the Middle East was extensive and I visited some amazing places, many which are now unsafe for Westerners. It was also unusual for women to be in senior positions in those countries, but I encountered nothing but friendliness and respect at every level and met amazing people everywhere I went. In one country a female Doctor from Iraq travelled to Jordan to attend a training course I was giving and faced a 3 day journey home. My flight home was only 5 hours.

The job involved discussing the company's product with Senior dental professionals, conducting training courses and giving talks and lectures.

I was also responsible for marketing, something which was often problematic and complex bearing in mind the different languages and varying markets.

**What message would you give your younger self?**

No education or experience is ever wasted. I struggled with sciences at school but spent the majority of my career in a science-based industry. Oh, and grab every opportunity, you never know where it will lead!

**Wedding Congratulations!**

Congratulations to D&T teacher, Miss Jackson who was married recently and who will be known in school from now on as Mrs Ramsden.



**Things we've been asked to mention:**

Beverley Puppet Festival 12-14 July 2024

The Beverley Puppet Festival takes place 12-14 July, with 30 ticketed shows and workshops for adults and children, and a weekend of free outdoor theatre for all. We would be grateful if you could share the Festival links with your parent/carer community.

Beverley Puppet Festival brochure:

[https://www.beverleypuppetfestival.com/files/ugd/3eaf8c\\_3b5570e888fd4e609bf8715b3a5f8847.pdf](https://www.beverleypuppetfestival.com/files/ugd/3eaf8c_3b5570e888fd4e609bf8715b3a5f8847.pdf)



Beverley Puppet Festival website:

<https://www.beverleypuppetfestival.com/>

The Beverley Puppet Festival app can be downloaded from Google play or the App Store for anyone wishing to create their own Festival schedule.

