

CERN Adventure!

On Thursday 7th December, 23 students from Years 12 and 13 Physics visited CERN in Geneva, Switzerland.



Having landed and sung Happy Birthday to Simon, we visited the United Nations Headquarters and got the chance to see some of the large conference rooms, as well as many pieces of artwork gifted by countries from all



over the world. Shortly after, we headed out to dinner which was primarily chicken then we had a short period of

time in which we could explore the Christmas markets.

On the second day, we woke up rather early to an ensemble of alarms, but it was worth it, as today was CERN. A short tram ride took us to CERN and our first stop was the ATLAS detector, one of the four main detectors and the place where the Higgs Boson was discovered. We

were taken on a tour and were lucky enough to see the mission control room and learn about how the Higgs was discovered!

Our next stop was CERN's very first particle accelerator, built in 1957 which was a great contrast to the technology we'd just seen. Then we spent the rest of the day in the S'Cool Lab in which we did three, very interesting, experiments which were the cloud chamber, X-ray testing and a quadrupole ion trap. Lunch was a hectic yet rewarding experience, surrounded by thousands of very smart people and food. The dinner this day took place at the 'Spaghetti Factory' which include pasta, pasta and some strange ice cream.



Day three started off with a spectacular snowball fight and many happy faces, followed by a visit to the International Red Cross Museum which gave us an interesting insight in to humanitarian aid. One activity was a large interactive game called 'Hurricane' where we had to work together to protect an island against a hurricane. Overall, the students loved our short stay, particularly the experiments we did at CERN and Simon had a wonderful birthday. Happy Birthday Simon!



By Toby Boud, 13TP Olly Lee, 13LP and Joe Howell, 12SS

Farnham Festivities!



On Saturday 18th November the Girls' Choir performed at the 'Farnham Town Christmas Light' switch on in Gostrey Meadow. Over 30 students took part in the festivities, performing three Christmas carols fantastically. We entered one of our pieces, 'O Holy Night', into the Eagle Radio's 'Christmas Carol Competition' and we were one of the few winners picked to have our song aired on their 'Breakfast Show'. This was played on Wednesday 20th December and our entry is on their website if you would like to have a listen. I couldn't be prouder of what the Girls' Choir have achieved this term. Well done, girls!

By Miss Myatt, Music Department

Medieval Day

On Tuesday 14th Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th November, we travelled back in time to medieval Britain. This is an account of what we learned during Medieval Day.

Purple was a rich colour that costs a lot which only rich people could afford. As for the poor they had to make their own clothes. They used leather to make shoes and if they went to the fields they wore special high shoes to protect their clothes. We even got to try on some clothes!

For medicine they would use leeches for blood-letting because if the “four humours” were imbalanced they would have to let blood out. We made medicine using different materials such as seeds and honey. We also saw special equipment they used and saw leeches!

In medieval days most people ate bread. Richer people ate a lot of meat and had fresh bread baked for them. As for the peasants, such as the poor, they had to eat stale bread that had been stored for a long time.

Taysia said “My thoughts on the medieval day were good. I really enjoyed learning about all the different things they did in that time and how our lives have changed from that day to today”.

Venice said “My experience on learning the things in medieval day was fantastic. We learnt so many things during the day”.

By Jenifer Lobo, Taysia Newton-Blake and Venice Mactal – all 7S



8 John Bowling Trip

On Friday 13th November, 8 John went to Aldershot Ten Pin Bowling Centre as a special treat for being well behaved during the first term. This was very kindly organised by 8 John's form tutor Mrs Boniface and it was a fantastic opportunity to do something so special.

As soon as the bell rang for the end of period 6 everyone was overjoyed that we had to chance to go bowling. We took the bus into town. When we got to the bowling centre the lady at the counter welcomed us. We then had to decide which team we would play in! There are about 20 lanes at the Centre and we had 3 of them booked. We had lots of fun with all our classmates. We also played on a claw grabber machine and we managed to win about 5 toys!

At the end of the evening our parents came to collect us. This was a great event and highly recommended. Thank you once again to Mrs Boniface for organising it because we all thoroughly enjoyed it!

By Benjamin Richards, 8 John



EXPLORING ICELAND!



During October half term, 22 hardy Sixth Form explorers convened before sun rise for an early morning flight a very early flight!

Their destination was Reykjavik, the capital city of Iceland; an island home to only 400,000 people but



which boasts one of the widest collections of geographical wonders of anywhere on our planet. Our accommodation was a series of rather cosy log cabins situated at the end of a peninsula jutting out into the Atlantic Ocean, which made for an enjoyable coastal walk on the first day and was close to the local water park, perfect for evening visits.

During our week on the island, we gawped at geysers, climbed behind stunning hanging valley waterfalls and even got a lucky glimpse one evening of

the Northern lights! We spent our first evening at the Blue Lagoon, a geothermal pool about half an hour out of Reykjavik. Coming in the evening proved a real win; the mixture of the coloured lights and haze of steam produced an eerie and unforgettable atmosphere.



For many however, the highlight of the trip was the very cold, very wet but spectacular climb on the Solheimajokull glacier, where we all adorned harnesses, fitted crampons to our shoes (to walk on the ice) and clutched a pic-axe... for stability! It was stunning to climb right into the glacier itself, to traverse crevasses and peer down into deep moulins, shafts within the glacial ice sheet itself.

We all came away from the week exhausted but thoroughly satisfied. The students were a credit to the school and themselves. We hope they took away great memories and an even greater appreciation of the wonder of our ever intriguing planet.

By Mr Halton and Mrs McMurtary, Geography Department



Worldwise Quiz

On Thursday 30th November, All Hallows entered a Geographical Association "Worldwise Quiz" at Gordon's School. Two teams competed composed of Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10 students. There were eight rounds, and after the first four rounds both teams were doing well with 35 point apiece.

After the final round the teams had doubled their scores to over 70. Unfortunately, despite a strong performance from everyone, this was not enough to get into the top three spots where competition was fierce.

Both teams thoroughly enjoyed the experience and came away with some impressive new Geography



facts! We would like to thank both Mr Smith and Mr Halton who organised the event.

By Luke Stephens, 9J and Claudia Stephens, 8C

RAG week total

All the hard work and determination that went into RAG week paid off as we raised a record-breaking:

£4,770.01

A massive thank you to everyone who participated in the week!

Will next year's Sixth Form be able to beat us? The challenge has been



Good Samaritan Christmas boxes



Christmas is one of the most exciting times of the year, in the height of festive cheer, wonderful music and excitement, here at All Hallows we have come together to remember those in need. During the December period, the

Sixth Form has worked together with Samaritan's Purse, an international charity with a mission to help the less fortunate. Together, in our collective forms we have donated a Christmas shoebox gift, with essential, simple items a child may need, such as toiletries; this simple shoebox gift packed and sent with love, will have a big impact on a child. Christmas is about coming together and as Band-Aid puts it: "Throw your arms around the world at Christmas time". Alongside shoebox gifts, food banks have been allocated around the Sixth Form giving students and teachers the opportunity to feed and help those in crisis; it's wonderful to have All Hallows remind others what Christmas really is about.

Christmas Ball

Christmas time is here! All Hallows Sixth Form always ends a term in style, the Christmas Ball is our annual tradition where we all celebrate after a long term of hard work and en-



joy ourselves. Let this be a reminder to all, that with hard work there's always a reward, and we are all

together to help in our journey until the end! This year, the ball was held at the Camberley Football Club.

Our Christmas Ball gives us the opportunity to dress up, rock up Beyoncé style and to have a good dance. We all have a chance to get to know one another more, including teachers, it's a wonderful event and we look forward to all year long. Thank you to Hannah and Zach for organising the evening.



Wishing you all a very merry Christmas, and see



School trips

One of the best ways to learn is by visual experience and observation, and over the past half term, there have been many school trips within the Sixth Form that have enabled students to put the stuff they have learnt in the classroom, into real life scenarios. Some of the trips over the last few weeks have included:

- CERN physics trip to Switzerland
- Geography trip to Iceland



CHAPLAINCY TEAM

What a wonderfully busy term it has been! Year 7 have settled in well and have enjoyed their time on retreat at St. Lucy's in Alton and Year 12 & 13 have also taken part in their reflection afternoons with Fr. Niven.

Next term brings new challenges with the expansion of the Chaplaincy team and the launch of a new initiative!!! Look out on Twitter & around school for more updates in the Spring term.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and holy Christmas as we all take this time to remember the joy and hopefulness that the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ brings.

God Bless you all. **The Chaplaincy Team.**



CONGRATULATIONS TO....

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Lewis Liney who was a silver medallist at the recent British judo championships in Sheffield. He won 3 out of 4 fights in the cadet over-90kg heavyweight group building on his bronze in 2016.



Picture shows Lewis on the rostrum at the English institute of sport.

Maria Hamilton-Eadie, 8E who took part in the U13's Surrey Cup final at Dorking RFC recently. Her team were runners up and Maria was named player of the match (and the muddiest!). She is also captain of our Year 8 team, were her team spirit is unrivalled



9 John who smashed 6 school swimming records in the pool, special mention to Olivia Price and Regan Woods.

Joshua Costello, 8C who took gold in sparring and gold in special technique at the recent British Taekwondo Open, whilst Jasmine Costello, 9P won gold in sparring. This is a national event and very prestigious so well done to you both!!

Fond farewell to Mrs Everett and Mrs Millar, on behalf of all the governors, staff and students we would like to thank you for everything you have done for the school and wish you luck for the future.

Dates for your Diary

SCHOOL RESUMES FOR ALL STUDENTS

Tuesday 9th January

YEAR 11

PHOTOGRAPHS

Wednesday 10th January

8A AWAYDAY

Wednesday 17th January

YEAR 10 TUTOR EVENING

Thursday 18th January

16.30 - 19.00

8C AWAYDAY

Wednesday 24th January

YEAR 11 PARENTS EVENING

Thursday 25th January

16.30 - 19.00

8E AWAYDAY

Wednesday 31st January

YEAR 12 & 13 MOCK EXAMS

Monday 5th February -

Friday 9th February

SEN APPOINTMENT WEEK

(YEAR 7 & 8)

Monday 5th February -

Friday 9th February

8J AWAYDAY

Wednesday 7th February

YEAR 9 PARENTS EVENING

Thursday 8th February

SKI / SNOWBOARDING TRIP

Saturday 10th February -

Saturday 17th February

HALF TERM

Monday 12th February -

Friday 16th February

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Christmas Arts and Crafts

This term the Design and Technology Department has been running a KS3 Christmas Club for any budding designers. 38 Year 7 & 8 students have been designing and making a variety of Christmas themed crafts over 6 weeks including; laser cut baubles, felt Christmas tree decorations and gift tags. The students have been learning new skills, making new friends and having Christmassy fun! Here are some words from 3 of the students who came along:

In Christmas Craft Club nobody knew each other to start with, but by the end of the half term we became close friends with the other members. We loved the club because we listened to jolly festive music every session and we even got to eat chocolates! My favourite thing that we made was the personalised Christmas baubles because many of us gave them to family or friends as great, thoughtful gifts. One week we made salt dough which we made festive decorations out of! We did this by cutting out different Christmas shapes of the dough and then putting them in the microwave until they dried out. We then hung them up on our Christmas trees at home. We made a variety of exciting, festive crafts throughout and we had so much fun!

Sophie Blanchard, 7A

I really enjoyed making all the different crafts and everybody agreed that the decorations look stunning! Christmas Craft Club has also taught me many fun activities to try at home. When giving some of my crafts to my family they were delighted and surprised how amazing they turned out. Christmas Craft Club has been so much fun and I really enjoyed learning new things. And if all this hadn't been enough we listened to Christmas music and ate chocolates! Overall Christmas club has been a really fun experience, the teachers were nice, the crafts were amazing and I met really lovely new friends. If you are looking for something Christmassy and fun to do next year I totally recommend trying Christmas Craft club, because I'm definitely joining again next year! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Katie Balsom, 7A

At the end of the last day of the club we all made gift tags with our own favourite design some of us went for colours and really awesome Christmas designs I personally chose to do black and white because it looked really classical. I think that Christmas club was a wonderful, great experience for lots of people to get to know each other a little bit better but my favourite part was when we all gathered at the end to take a picture and it was a great way to make new friends.

Mollie Hutchinson, 7A

By Miss Suter, D & T Department





ANOTHER FANTASTIC CHRISTMAS CONCERT!



With 14 groups playing a variety of musical genres, the annual Christmas Concert was as varied as ever; with over 150 students taking part to demonstrate what they had been working hard on for the last 14 weeks. The regular groups like the Concert Band, String Orchestra and Big Band



treated the packed auditorium to such pieces as 'Jingle Bells Around the World' and Pharell Williams' 'Happy'. As well as this, we showcased new groups like our Show Choir, who wowed

the audience with their energetic performance of Revolting Children from the musical 'Matilda.' It was remarked by the Sixth Form comperes, Joe Howell and Beccy Jones, that the students did have trouble getting into character!



The evening finished with a rendition of the 12 Days of Christmas. Each part was sung by a different section of the audience, resulting in a rather raucous and chaotic performance which left the audience smiling. The Senior Leadership Group made up for their relative lack of numbers



by having the most enthusiastic singing of Five Gold Rings in the audience.

Whilst the Music Department have been hard at work this term, so much happens 'behind the scenes' whether it is printing the programmes, organising tickets to be sold, as well as making sure that there are refreshments for the audience to have. It is a testament to the staff in the school that all of these things happen and the evenings run so smoothly.



A big well done and thank you to all those who helped out!

By Mr Fisher, Head of Music



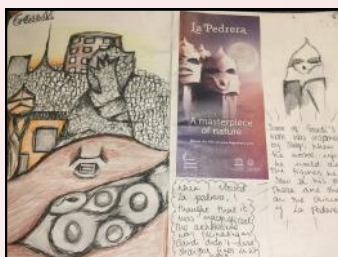
Year 10 Art Study Trip 2017

Year 10 Art students, together with Mrs Tennant and Mr Tucker, went on a residential study visit to Barcelona in July. The trip included many interesting sights and educational visits where students were able to draw and learn about the Art and Culture of Barcelona. Among



the sites visited were the Sagrada Familia Cathedral, Gaudi's La Pedrera, the Salvador Dali Museum and the Joan Miro Foundation.

I would like to thank all those who helped with organising the trip, as it was a huge success and everyone had a wonderful time! The students produced some beautiful drawings and photographs and made a lot of notes in their sketchbooks about the places visited.



The Art & Design Department is planning a new residential study visit to **Venice in July 2018** (Thursday 12th July to 16th July 2018).

This trip will be beneficial not only to students taking GCSE Art, but also History, Geography, Spanish and D&T. Students will be able to visit the many sites of Venice and will have the

opportunity to draw and to take photographs and visit such places as St. Mark's Square and The Basilica di San Marco. Students will also have the opportunity to take a gondola ride and visit the Accademia Gallery, the Peggy

Guggenheim Museum, the Church of Santa Maria della Salute, the Scuola di San Rocco with Tintoretto's frescoes and the Palazzo Grassi. We will also visit a glass factory on the Island of Murano and enjoy the sights and lace production on The Island of Burano.



For more information or to collect a letter, please see Mrs Tennant.

Mrs Tennant, Art Department

Year 11 Art & Design Workshop

The Year 11 Art GCSE students had a fantastic opportunity this term to meet and work with Daisy Jane Turner, a highly skilled costume designer and illustrator and who works in the film and theatre industry. Miss Turner is a former All Hallows' student who has made us all proud with her achievements both as a student and in her career since leaving All Hallows.

Students were given the opportunity to experiment with new techniques and mediums relevant to their Surrealist GCSE Art work and to speak to Miss Turner about her career:

"As a Costume Designer, my love for what I do originates from illustration. The ability to create a character in a world, as though placing an actor on a stage, with just a piece of paper and a pencil is why I love what I do. When this creation comes to life you create that world - the stage; that character - the actor; and that's when the magic happens." - Daisy Jane Turner.

The students really enjoyed the workshop and had produced some wonderful designs by the end of the day.

By Mrs Tennant – Art Department



School Closure Information

If a situation arises where the school will be closed at short notice i.e. due to bad weather, parents will be able to find this information by tuning into:

Eagle Radio – Wave Band 96.4

BBC Surrey Radio – Wave Band 104.6 **or**

Information will be placed on Facebook and Twitter

A message will be placed on the school website: www.allhallows.net

A recorded message will be left on the school telephone system.

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And for any health or medical related issues please email Welfare:

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Parking problems outside school

We have received numerous complaints from our neighbours about a minority of parents who cause major problems through careless driving or inconsiderate parking when dropping off or waiting to collect their children.



As a school we value the maintenance of good relationships with the local community and would ask all parents to support us. Sometimes cars obstruct drive-ways, park illegally close to junctions, or make it difficult for the school buses to manoeuvre safely.

Our local councillors and the neighbourhood police officers have asked us to draw attention to these problems and they will be taking action to enforce the law.



Christmas Message from Mr Doyle:

“Tidings of comfort and joy.” These are the promises of Christmas, and they are also things that occur all the time here at All Hallows. We really are lucky to have such lovely students that bring us great joy.

During this 8-week term, we’ve had much to be grateful for, including some great assemblies and seemingly no end of local/district sporting victories.

We also had a barnstorming Christmas concert, coordinated by Mr Fisher, which ended up with approx. 350 parents singing along to ‘The 12 days of Christmas’ while bobbing up and down like whack-a-mole! Great music and great fun.

Thank you to the attendees.

We hope you have a wonderful, relaxing, calm (ish) Christmas, and that God blesses you and your children with a very happy 2018. Let’s end with 2 jokes from Christmas crackers:

Why did Father Christmas give up smoking?
Because it was bad for his elf.

Knock knock
Who’s there?
Mary
Mary who?
Merry Christmas.



Wintershall Nativity Play



On 14th December a group of 35 Year 7 students when to Wintershall to see a play about the Nativity. The teachers who accompanied us were Miss Barnes, Miss Harris and Mr March. The coach left the school at 2.50pm during the last lesson and arrived at 3.30pm.

We then took a short and very muddy walk from the coach park to the Nativity set.

The play began at 4.00pm at the point where Mary and Joseph were travelling and finished at King Herod’s death. The play was fantastic; it included live animals, fire and a real baby to play Jesus.

The students, teachers and general public enjoyed the play and thanked the actors. We are very grateful to the teachers and Wintershall staff for organising such an amazing event.

By Adison Amano, 7S

