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Welcome
to this term's e-Phoenix,
our short and snappy newsletter. If you
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Newsletter Spring Term 2020

Meadowhead Sixth Form Top 3 in South Yorkshire!

Y11 students at Meadowhead are in a fantastic position – they are following in the footsteps of peers who have achieved record-breaking results not only at GCSE but also at A level.

Meadowhead Sixth Form's 2019 results place us in the top three schools in South Yorkshire, and second in Sheffield, in progress terms. Students staying on at our sixth form experience the best of both worlds – a different experience at school, using our outstanding facilities and enjoying the privileges and responsibilities of being a sixth-former, whilst also working with the excellent teachers and familiar faces who helped them achieve such success at GCSE.

Meadowhead Sixth Form is looking forward to welcoming current Y11 students in September 2020. These students have experienced unprecedented disruption this year, so it is no doubt reassuring to know that they can enjoy the continuity of beginning sixth form with the school and staff they know well. The success of the school's 2019 A level cohort can give confidence to all of next year's Y12 that you are in the best possible place. The sixth form team would also like to pay tribute to this year's Y13 - it has been a privilege to work with such a well-motivated, mature and considerate year group. Thank you to all students and their families - you have truly been an inspiration in these unusual times.



Fundraising

We are holding regular fundraising events, including our non-school uniform days at the end of each half-term. Each Year group votes for a charity to support and we are pleased to bring you these totals from our February fundraising.



Sports Relief - Friday 13th March

Students supported by wearing sporty outfits or red themed clothes

Year Group	February 2020	Total
Year 7	<i>Grace Food Bank</i>	£304.80
Year 8	<i>Cancer Research</i>	£234.54
Year 9	<i>M7 Education</i>	£284.30
Year 10	<i>Bluebell Wood Hospice</i>	£256.34
Year 11	<i>Young Minds</i>	£207.30
Sixth Form	<i>SAYIT - LGBT Ribbons</i>	£160.02



Our very generous students bought roses during the week leading up to Valentine's day, and these were delivered during form time on Friday 14th February.

Year 10 were the most romantic year group with the most roses received, closely followed by year 8. The sale of roses raised £58.00 towards the student expedition to Morocco in 2021.



Our Media Monday focus during form time on 27th January was Holocaust Memorial Day - students were asked to think about the special significance of this year's anniversary and in pairs read key terms (such as Regime, Marginalise, Propaganda, Prejudice, Genocide) and put the words into a sentence.

Each form signed a Memorial Flame with our commitment to remember and to show we will **STAND TOGETHER** at Meadowhead to stop division and persecution.



Get Into Film

Mie, one of our Y13 students, has done a brilliant job of interviewing the director and cast from the film 'Emma' from an opportunity through Get Into Film.



This is a great step towards a possible future career and we highly recommend you watch her interviews on YouTube. Here is what Mie herself has written about the experience:

"A few weeks ago, I had the most amazing chance to interview the cast and director of Emma. Nerve wrackingly these were the first interviews I'd ever done and I was thrown right into the deep end, face to face with national treasure Bill Nighy, Anya Taylor-Joy and Johnny Flynn who play Emma and Mr Knightley and the photographer come director Autumn de Wilde.

I'd been to a press screening of the film a week before and had plenty of time to prepare questions for the day but still couldn't help but feel so nervous. Luckily, once I was called for my interview slots all the nerves really melted away as the actors and directors were all unbelievably friendly. It was so inspiring to get to spend time with such talented and interesting people and it really gave me an insight into the sort of job I'd like in the future.

Emma is also such a great film it's really fresh, contemporary and just so aesthetically beautiful as well as the fact the actors are just hilarious. So I would definitely recommend that you see it (but only after you check out my videos on the Get Into Film YouTube channel!)"
Mie, Y13



An Introduction to University Life

On Friday 6th March our Year 12 students visited the University of Sheffield. Students enjoyed an introduction to university life, a campus tour and a seminar about the range of degree courses that are available. Students were encouraged to notice the differences between courses offered at different universities and started to do some of their own research. The day finished with a Q&A session with University of Sheffield student ambassadors, year 12 students asked a range of insightful questions about all aspects of University life, including student finance and living away from home. The trip has inspired many students to start thinking about University and we will be doing more work around this during tutor times next year.

"I liked finding out about the variety of courses that were on offer because I didn't know there were that many"

"The campus tour was interesting because we found out how the different courses were based in different buildings, it is so different from school!"



Sixth Form

The Brilliant Club

Congratulations to Beya and McKenzie, both in Y12, who graduated from the Brilliant Club on Wednesday 6th February in a celebration event at the University of Sheffield.



Last term the students attended seminars and tutorials with Amanda, a PHD student from the University, who guided them to independently research and write a 2500 word essay on the theme of 'Mapping the World Through Contemporary Art'.

At the event Amanda commented on the students' creative ideas and the resilience needed to complete such a difficult essay alongside their usual studies.



The English Language - Shakespeare, Poetry & Fiction

The RSC Live

60 Y8 students enjoyed a live screening of Macbeth on the 5th March, with Christopher Eccleston and Niamh Cusack in the main roles.

Alice G gave it a 5 star rating and wrote this after the viewing:

"I really liked the way the company interpreted Macbeth, for example the set was like a waiting room, which definitely put the idea of purgatory into the play. The witches were acted by little girls holding babies, which makes you feel uneasy and anxious, especially as the play concentrated on the fact that the Macbeths had no children and were never going to. The play had a thrilling tension, yet at the same time was enjoyable and amusing"

Heidi H added *"It was extremely enjoyable...a modern twist on a classic play and it was interesting to see how they interpreted what they think Macbeth was about."*



David Crystal Lecture

On Friday 28th February a group of our A level English Language students attended a charity lecture given by world renowned linguist Professor David Crystal at the University of Sheffield.



The students learned about the latest research developments in the study of Child Language Acquisition, which is a key component of the A level syllabus.

All the money raised from the lecture was donated to the I CAN charity which supports children with communication difficulties. After the talk, some of our students were able to meet Professor Crystal, who has written over 120 books on the English language.

Poetry by Heart

On 11th February Meadowhead held it's first Poetry by Heart competition, a national event which is designed to get students committing two poems to memory and then reciting them for a judging panel. 6 of our students took up the challenge of learning one pre and one post 1914 poem. There were some fantastic recitations from the mystical words of Blake's *Tyger!Tyger!* to the humour of Dahl's *Little Red Riding Hood*. It was an incredibly close competition as all the students performed their poems beautifully, but the winner emerged as Alice G in Y8 who goes through to the County level contest.

The English Language - Shakespeare, Poetry & Fiction

We were delighted to welcome parents to watch - they were clearly very proud of their children's achievements. Thanks go to our judges, Mr Sheppard, Ms Dale and Ms Woodward, who had to make such difficult decisions.



Look Where Books Can Take Us!

With one of the World Book Day themes being 'Reading is Power' we were inspired to look at the power of books to transport us to new places and adventures.

Students had fun posing in front of a green screen and then with the help of photo editing, found themselves magically transported to a variety of exotic places!



Our Head Boy and Head Girl

Wellbeing

Keeping Positive



As we follow Government guidelines on closing schools during the Coronavirus pandemic, some of our Y7s created posters in their Ethics lesson, reflecting on what will be their last day in school for some time. They had lots of wonderful, constructive ideas and worked fabulously together as a team. Their posters were displayed for others to appreciate too.

Easter Eggs for Young Carers

We have 57 Young Carers in school, many of these have close family members who have been diagnosed with a lifelong illness or disability that impacts their everyday lives, resulting in these children taking on extra tasks at home (washing, cleaning, cooking, looking after family members and providing emotional support). This can often lead to our children feeling anxious, stressed, and distracted whilst at school and therefore, awareness needs to be raised so that there is a better understanding of what these children go through on a day-to-day basis.

Mrs Silverwood put out a plea on LinkedIn (social platform for professionals) asking employers, former students and trust partners to sponsor an Easter egg for a Young Carer to show them that people care about them and appreciate the extra effort they go to everyday. We would like to thank the many local employers, trust partners and former students who supported our cause.

Due to school closure we had to distribute the eggs early. Students who were not in school due to self-isolation or illness will receive their treat at a later date. You have not been forgotten!



Jasmine in Y7 helps to feed and look after pets and takes care to ensure mum is comfortable at home.



Seb in Y7 supports his mum with physical work around the house, and feeding and cleaning out his mum's prize winning Guinea Pigs!



Pictured left - Y11 Young Carers with their Easter Eggs

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to keep up to date with our latest news and events as they happen

We would like to express our sincere thanks to everyone during these difficult and unprecedented times we are all experiencing due to COVID-19. Everyone has supported each other and conducted themselves extremely well.

As we go to press, we have only just begun this period of learning from home. We will continue to use all the channels open to us to communicate with both our students and parents/carers. In addition to ClassCharts, these include social media, our website, email and text messaging service.

Copies of letters sent home to parents are on our website here: Parents - Key Information - Letters



Visit to the Gurdwara

14 year Year 10 students visited the Siri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara in Derby as part of their GCSE Religious Studies course.

Students had the opportunity to tour the Gurdwara, and see what they have been learning about first hand. They were also able to deepen their understanding of Sikhism through talking with a member of the Sikh community. For students the best part was langar, the community kitchen which serves a free vegetarian meal to all visitors at each Gurdwara.



"Visiting the Gurdwara was a fantastic cultural experience!" Y10

PRIDE

February was PRIDE month, raising awareness of the LGBT+ community and current issues, celebrating role models and recognising the influence LGBT people have around the world. Students sold ribbons to raise awareness and their efforts raised £160 for the SAY IT charity.

SAY IT at Meadowhead

Based in Sheffield, the charity provides practical support around LGBT+ life, sexual health, HIV and mental wellbeing. They ran sessions with all our Y8s, starting with an interactive agree/disagree spectrum task which really got us to think.



One of the questions asked us if Meadowhead was a safe space for LGBT+ students, and most of us agreed it was, which was pleasing to see. This was followed by a "BINGO" task where we had to match key words with their definitions. Some of these words were new to us such as 'passing' and 'cisgender'. It was important to understand the different terms used and know that not everyone likes to identify with a 'he or she'. After that we watched a video, which showed how LGBT+ members could feel and how one person being an ally could make a massive impact on an LGBT+ student's life. For the last 20 minutes we discussed how we can improve PRIDE around our school. We came up with ideas such as



doing assemblies, having more after school clubs and making posters showing the LGBT+ community that Meadowhead is an inclusive school and respects all identities.

We learnt that being part of the LGBT+ community isn't always easy and that they have to face a lot of homophobic comments. Saying things like 'that's so gay' can really offend people, even if its not said to be offensive. Many gay/bi/lesbian people find it really difficult to come out as they might feel that they won't be accepted by people because they are 'different'. It is really important to support anyone who feels like they can't come out as this can be a very difficult time for them.

Written by:
Lisa Okunwague- Blessing, Lauren Howson, Fraser Lawrie Y8 students

Grace's Poem

In Ethics, students are learning about the Global Issues faced by our planet and the Ethical issues surrounding it. In one of our Y9 homework tasks we asked students to write a creative piece on one of the issues. Below is Grace Marsh's beautiful poetic response.

Dear world
You are dying
And we are fading
Blood on our hands
Yet we keep going
Guilt overflowing
Plant and trees dying
Like a surgical table
You our patient
But yet we stand there unaware
Your hair of trees, buzzed off

Burns on your face, the fires we create
Your eyes once bright and clear
Now dirty air, in which we wear masks to protect
Your water filled lungs, clogged with plastic
Oh we have killed your pets for glory and power
Your icy smile now hot and gone
History books twice as full
Library's close, we can't return you
Too long over due, only borrowed
Look what we have put you through
Flat line tears cried
Your eyes as guilty as mine
Now pick up your scalpel and try

Grace Marsh 9F (poem printed as Grace wrote it)



STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths)

Science Week

We joined in with British Science Week on 10th March with an energy-filled presentation for our Y7s and Y8s from the BAE SYSTEMS Roadshow Team.

Students learnt about energy sources, how much energy a school like ours uses in a year, and discovered that there are 11 forms of energy.



Well done to our student & teacher volunteers who joined in the energy games which demonstrated some of these points, resulting in an entertaining and informative session.

Science Week Talks

We welcomed guests to speak to students in a series of after school talks on their specialist science subject, and our thanks go to the speakers for giving up their time.



Talk on **X-Rays and Cancer Treatment** by Keeley Rosbottom, Therapeutic Radiographer and Senior Lecturer in Radiotherapy and Oncology at Sheffield Hallam University (right)

Venomous or Poisonous?

A talk by Professor Peter Strong, Biosciences and Chemistry Department, Sheffield Hallam University (Left)



Talk on **Space** by Dr Martin Robinson (Left)

Pi Day



14th March is known as Pi Day (can you figure out why?) so in the week leading up to it at Meadowhead we celebrated Pi Week.

Various activities took place across several subjects

- In maths students were given a variety of circular objects and had to discover pi themselves
- In science students learnt about Albert Einstein (he was born on Pi day)
- In English students may have created a Pi poem
- In music some students listened to Kate Bush sing pi!

Also form groups were challenged to learn as many digits of pi as they could – the winner was a member of Y9 who could recall pi to an astonishing 225 places.

STEM Club - 3D Printing

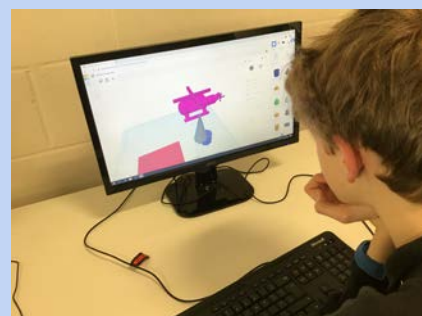
The Y8/9 STEM Club have been learning all about 3D printing this term in a project supported by Rolls-Royce and The Royal Academy of Engineering.

The students have experimented with the future of gastronomy by 3D printing chocolate houses, recreated the Eiffel Tower with 3D printing pens and used software to design and print their own 3D creations.

STEAM
(Science, Technology,
Engineering and Maths)



Using the Tinkercad software to design their 3D printing objects. (Right)



With special thanks to Rolls-Royce (one of our Trust partners) for funding this 3D printer. (Above)

CERN

At the start of March Mr O'Brien and Mr Dutton took 20 Y12/13 students to Geneva, Switzerland. The purpose of the visit was to take part in a tour around the world famous CERN - The European Organization for Nuclear Research. Physicists and engineers at CERN use the world's largest and most complex scientific instruments to study the basic constituents of matter – fundamental particles. Subatomic particles are made to collide together at close to the speed of light. The process gives us clues about how the particles interact, and provides insights into the fundamental laws of nature. Scientists at CERN want to advance the boundaries of human knowledge by delving into the smallest building blocks of our universe.

Whilst at CERN students got the chance to speak to CERN scientists and ask them questions. We also experienced a traditional Swiss fondue restaurant, a wet cruise on Lake Geneva, visited various museums and explored Geneva's old quarter with stunning view from Saint Peters cathedral. Students had an unforgettable once in a lifetime trip and were exemplary in their behaviour.



STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths)

Full STEAM Ahead

Year 3 of our ERASMUS international project continues

In January our STEAM team of 21 keen Year 11 ambassadors visited Sheffield Hallam University to take part in a creative workshop in the Faculty of Art and Design. Their focus was to experience different art and design activities at the University in preparation for leading on similar activities with their German and Spanish partners when they visit Sheffield in June to mark the end of this fantastic project.

Following a tour of the whole faculty to gain an insight into what kinds of art and products University students study and create, our students enjoyed creating some of their own art, in a workshop focusing on the concept of Art and design, and using only squares, circles and triangles.

"I really liked the workshop where we made art using just the shapes provided"
(Eleanor Keyworth Y11)

"The workshop was very interesting, and practical and got our creative minds flowing"
(Caitlin Vaughan Y11)

"It was interesting to have insight into the different forms of art people do in the same department" (Isaac Waldron Y11)



ERASMUS+ Ready, Steady, Go

Thanks to another successful ERASMUS+ bid between Meadowhead School and our partner schools in Germany and Spain, we were able to welcome 16 excited Y9 students and their two teachers, Frau Caesar and Frau Poertzgen from the Gymnasium auf der Karthause for a week long exchange programme.



READY STEADY GO – Bridging languages through sports, is a 2 year, European funded project between our school and our long established partner schools in Zaragoza, (Spain), and Koblenz (Germany), comprising

three core aims:

- 1 : To improve language skills of students aged 13-18, and to encourage uptake of MFL study at Further/Higher Education level.
- 2 : To allow students from disadvantaged backgrounds to participate in exchanges and travel abroad in this fully funded project,
- 3 : To enrich foreign language teaching and learning, and intercultural education through a new collaborative project focused on European sports.

"This was the best exchange ever." Eve Palmer Morris



Our Geography students' volcano study visit to Italy in February was a huge success with all 42 students that visited the bay of Naples, enjoying themselves completely as they explored this iconic region.



The first day took us to the Island of Capri, famous for its picturesque coastline, this tiny island displayed perfect examples of coastal features as we explored the perimeter on one of the calmest laser boat rides taken on the trip.



inspiring views of the crater at the summit of the volcano, a 300m deep, 600m wide chasm reminded students of the dangers that volcanoes pose as it continued to release steam from cracks in the rock.



We proceeded to explore the ruins of Pompeii, students and staff gained the opportunity to witness the exact moment people lost their lives in a pyroclastic flow that destroyed the town in 79AD and to see the excellently preserved buildings, roads and even bread. After grabbing some lunch, we took to the streets of Sorrento, giving students the opportunity to explore the town and have some free time to buy souvenirs.

Friday took us along the stunningly beautiful Amalfi coast and to the town of Ravello. Students were happy that the coach driver did most of the work for us, delivering us to our first stop, Amalfi by the way of cliff side roads. The weather created the perfect backdrop to the incredible clifftop views.

In Amalfi, students had the opportunity to explore the town and visit the cathedral, which took pride of place in the town centre. A quick stop in Ravello to discover the views over the some beautiful V shape valleys before returning to Sorrento.

We would like to thank all of the students who represented their school and community excellently and the staff who supported the students with the trip. Until next year - Ciao!



Extended Opportunities

Take a look at the great range of After School activities that took place this term

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES !

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Did you know we offer over 50 clubs, support groups and activities for students of all ages?

Anti-Bullying Ambassadors

ART Open Studio

BUJO Bullet Journaling

Careers Drop In

CHOIR

Club Nintendo

Computer Science revision

Computing Club

Couch to 5K

Dance Club

Debate Club

Door 43 Wellbeing Café

DRAMA Club

Fitness Suite

Food Tech

Football 5 aside

French, German, Spanish

GCSE/BTEC revision, support or catch-up (all subjects)

Homework clubs (all subjects)

Jazz Band

Knitting

Netball

Orchestra

Rugby clubs (boys and girls)

SCIENCE club

Sheffield Theatres Response

STEM club

Table Tennis

Technology club

Textiles club

Warhammer

Yarn & Craft Club

Youth Club

We encourage everyone to attend at least one
after school activity per week

Y13 Mock Interviews

In January we welcomed employers

from a range of industries who gave their time to interview our Y13 students. Once they'd got over their pre-interview nerves, students found the mock interviews really beneficial.



'It gave me insight into how to avoid nerves and appear more confident. It is important to look into the organisation and have some questions planned.' Elliott Mitchell

'They were very good at not just listening to you, but giving feedback and advice.' Y13 girl

'You get to meet the people working in the field behind the job description. It gives you a proper insight into what you could go into in future.' Charlie Ramsden



Five of our Y13 budding journalists got the chance to have their mock interview at the Sheffield Star - the students found it a very positive and valuable experience and our thanks go to Nancy Fielder, Editor, for giving them this opportunity.

Aspirations

Ashley Porter-Exley



Ashley pictured with our Head Boy and Girl

It was great to welcome back Ashleigh Porter-Exley, winner of BBC's Young Apprentice show in 2012, to speak to our Y11s in assembly this term. We would like to thank Ashley for her very inspirational messages!

From Students to Jobs

A selected group of Y9s enjoyed an 'employability skills' workshop on Friday 13th March led by IGD (the Institute of Grocery Distributors).

Students discovered the wide range of jobs within the food industry with volunteers who work in the sector. They also had practical sessions developing communication skills and then worked together in small groups to make the link between employability skills & their school subjects.



Big Challenge

We are very proud of the Meadowhead teams' performances in the Big Challenge this year, bringing home a number of prizes and a coveted place in the final awards ceremony:

- Soapee (place in the final awards ceremony, prize to be announced at www.bigchallenge.biz on Wednesday 15 April)
- BeautyBliss (Highly Commended in Media and Marketing Competition, prize-winners in Flying Start Competition)
- Ringlettes (Daisy Mansell, winner in Individual Skills Survey Prize Draw)



It was great to watch the teams develop their business plans and their confidence as the competition progressed. We hope to see plenty more teams entering next year.

Well done to all teams who took part.



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Rugby

Y7 Rugby

The team has settled in nicely into Rugby in secondary school. They have taken part in 2 Sheffield Federation tournaments where they have managed 9 wins and 1 loss against a number of different schools across the city. The team have been getting good numbers to games - well done.



Y8 Rugby

All the students involved in the Rugby Union squad this term have been brilliant. Numbers training each week have been consistent and the best across the whole school. We have had lots of success in all the tournaments we have played, **winning** the overall Sheffield schools tournament at Warminster road earlier this year. Congratulations!

Y9 Rugby

The team has had an increase in a number of new players who have all added to the strength of the team. Fixtures have been hard to come by this season however the team has played in some South Yorkshire tournaments and have had some very close games. The lads have had a number of very competitive games against Silverdale as well who we usually encounter in the Sheffield finals!

Did you know that the PE department are on Twitter! ??? Why not give us a follow on

@MeadowheadPe for news, updates and results. #Greenarmy

We are also on Instagram: meadowheadpe



Boys Football

Y7 boys

As a team they have worked very well and every player is to be congratulated - over 20 boys have represented us.

Accolades this season: Sheffield schools league winners, last 8 National cup, Sheffield schools finalists and South Yorkshire schools cup semi finalists (both games still to be played).



Y7 boys

Y8 Boys

In the league the team only lost one game to a very good Tapton side. They narrowly lost a 14 goal thriller in the Cup quarter final against Forge Valley. There have been a number of stand out players so far this season, however a special mention must go to Tom Everest-Wilcock, Lucian Hagin and Jude Akram for their enthusiasm.

Y9 Boys

The Y9 have had a great season, playing in all cups and are still in the South Yorkshire Schools cup 1/4 final. A massive well done - we have some very talented players and a squad who are getting better and better. They will go on to do great things!

Y10 Boys

The Y10 boys football team have once again shown their class, playing some very silky football in games combined with great athleticism and a willingness to win. They unfortunately lost in the South Yorkshire Cup in extra time to a very strong Horizon School and also narrowly got knocked out of the Sheffield cup on penalties to All Saints school. They are currently unbeaten in the league and are hoping for a strong finish.

Y11 Boys

The Y11 football team have had mixed performances and results this year. They had a great run in the prestigious Clegg Shield, reaching the quarter finals after beating tournament favourites Birley 3-2, but were knocked out by All Saints School.

Girls Football

The U16 girls football have enjoyed a great season this year. We

got to the last 16 in the country in the English School's competition and are leading the Sheffield league competition with one tournament left! There have been consistently good performances from all



U16

the players but a special mention must go to Harriet Lloyd and Lauren Evison who have scored over 30 goals between them! Well done to Viki Wallace in goal who has been instrumental in seeing us go so far in the Cup competition.

The U14 and U12 teams have also performed well this year. The U14's got to Round 3 in the English School's competition and the U12's got to Round 2. Well done to all the players involved.



U14

SPORTS

Netball

An outstanding season for Meadowhead netball. All teams have trained hard weekly and taken part in matches and tournaments across the city.



U12 netball

Y7 netball has established some up and coming netball players, with teams winning many of their matches against rival city



U14 netball

teams. The Y7 team also came second in the city tournament, where they played against 6 schools from around Sheffield.

In addition to this, **Y8** had a fantastic victory when they became U13 City Champions at the tournament held at Meadowhead in January. They played teams from across Sheffield and came out victorious against all. Well done girls!



U13 City Champions

Y9 and **Y10** have grown from strength to strength throughout this year. Many players now train to county standard outside of school and this has really benefited their school sport. Both Y9 and Y10 netballer leaders take on a regular coaching role to the younger players - you are fantastic role models, well done!

Boxing

Some of our **GCSE** students in **Y11** and **Y10** have once again done a fantastic job in completing the Contender Boxing Course, which has been run for a number of years

and it is used to help increase practical grades for their GCSE qualification. There were some nerves at the start but all the students overcame them and gave 100% and found the sessions very positive. Our thanks go to Brendan Warburton from Sheffield City Amateur Boxing Club for the top quality coaching and facilities. Anyone interested in taking up boxing email Brendan bwarbo@yahoo.co.uk



Basketball

The Under 14's team have had a number of fixtures this season which have seen us on our travels from Forge Valley to Silverdale. Although some of the results have not

gone our way in recent games the team keep turning up, playing with enthusiasm and doing their best. Each game has been a learning experience for the team and they have recently picked up their first win of the season against High Storrs. Special mention has to go to Macauley Littler (Y11) who has officiated and help to run a number of games, giving up his own free time to help out.



Table Tennis

The quality and numbers of players is

always increasing in this popular sport. The main competition was played early on in the year at the EIS, Sheffield. We finished a respectable 4th out of all schools in South Yorkshire.

Cross Country

February marked the end of a cold and wet season.

The students competed in a number of races across the city and endured all forms of weather, such as gale force winds and snow at Castle Dyke. Even with all the adverse weather the students kept on turning up and doing their best.



A number of students were selected to represent Sheffield in the South Yorkshire finals, including Gabby Brown, George Wallace, Casey Musgrove (all Y8) and Emily Hunter (Y11). Congratulations to all the students who competed.

Dance

A group of Y9 and Y10 girls took part in a professional

dance workshop led by a dancer from the Northern School of Contemporary Dance. The workshop gave the girls a fantastic opportunity to experience what the dancers at Northern take part in on a daily basis.

A selected group of girls were also 'spotted' during the workshop and invited to audition for the CAT scheme at the Northern School of Contemporary Dance. A huge congratulations to all those girls!



**U13 Girls Cricket
at Headingley**

Cricket



U13 Boys Indoor Cricket (pictured right) - the Y7/8 team had a brilliant warm up by reaching the South Yorkshire finals. This was played at Ponds Forge and all the top schools in South Yorkshire attended. The lads finished 2nd in the tournament narrowly missing out on the chance to go to the Yorkshire finals at Headingley. Very well done!

U13 Girls Cricket – Indoor

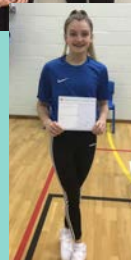
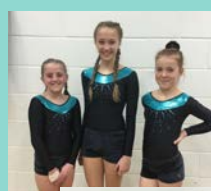
The girls put in some superb performances this indoor season. They were Sheffield Champions and South Yorkshire Champions. The girls qualified to compete for the Yorkshire title at Headingley Stadium against the best in Yorkshire. The girls put in some valiant performances, managing to get the 3rd highest points scored in the competition which is testament to the effort that they put in.



Trampolining

Unfortunately, our trampolines were being repaired for much of this term, making practice difficult for our students. However, they performed their routines exceptionally well at the annual Sheffield School's Federation Trampoline Competition on Sunday 8th March. Students competed at a variety of levels and many of our students gained team and individual places. The headline results are as follows:

U12 Novice Team were awarded 2nd place
U12 Novice Individual Isobel Vitty was awarded 1st place
U13 Closed A Team were awarded 3rd place
U15 Elite Individual Ally Booker was awarded 2nd place

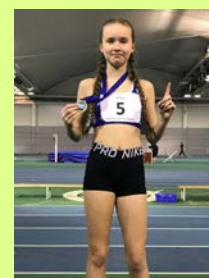


Ally Booker recently participated in the Y7-9 Elite Yorkshire Trampoline Competition and finished in 1st place, she went on to represent the North of England this January in Newcastle and placed 7th overall.

Athletics Success

A massive well done to **Lilly May Hughes Y9** who is ranked 1st in Yorkshire, 3rd for the North of England and 6th in England for 200m in athletics. What a fantastic achievement!

Molly Y7 has been competing in athletics for over 2 years and trains with the Sheffield and Dearne Athletics Club. This has led to Molly climbing up the UK rankings this season. She is currently ranked 7th in the UK, 4th in England and 2nd in Yorkshire in the 200m. Her most recent competition at the North of England Championships on 2 February 2020 secured her a silver medal which was extremely tough to get through heats, semi-finals and achieving a brilliant second place in the final.



She broke her own record to give her a PB of 27.71 for 200m. Molly says that her idol is Dina Asher-Smith and that she has aspiration to represent Great Britain at the Olympics. Molly is a very conscientious student who is doing extremely well in her first year at Meadowhead.

