

We would like to wish you all the best for the Summer break and remind you that support is available if needed. Below are some sources of support should you or your child be in need during the school break.

- Urgent help for mental health issues: **In an emergency call 999.**
- Call **NHS 111** In a mental health crisis or emergency, get immediate expert advice and assessment, by going to **111 online or calling 111 and selecting the mental health option.**

Support for young people

- **Kooth** is a free, safe and anonymous place for young people aged 11-25 to find online support and counselling. As well as confidential counselling online, Kooth offers access to lots of self-help tools such as discussion forums and an online magazine.
- **Papyrus** offers confidential support and practical advice for anyone under the age of 35 experiencing thoughts of suicide. For anyone concerned that a young person could be thinking about suicide 0800 068 41 41 (Telephone 24/7 every day of the year). Text service - 07860 039967. Email - pat@papyrus-uk.org. Website - papyrus-uk.org.
- **Compass** offer free, confidential substance misuse services for children and young people who may need support around their own or another person's drug or alcohol use. Confidential text messaging is available on 07507 331 5252 or telephone 01788 578 227 to speak to a member of the friendly team.

Resources for parents/carers

- **This May Help** supports parents and carers with concerns about their child's mental health, across important subject areas such as self-harm, eating disorders, school avoidance and more.
- **Primary Care / GP:** If you are experiencing emotions or behaviours that are difficult or hard to manage, speak to your GP. If you aren't registered with a GP, please click here to find your nearest GP surgery. <https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/find-a-gp>
- **Samaritans** provides free, confidential support to anyone in emotional distress, offering a listening service 24/7 without judgement or pressure 116 123 (Free 24hr helpline). Email - jo@samaritans.org. Website - samaritans.org.
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We encourage you to have open and honest conversations with your children about their feelings and experiences. Please remind them that it is okay to seek help and that there are resources available both within the school and in the wider community.



KOALA KLUBS

AT TAMWORTH RUGBY CLUB



FREE FOR HAF
ELIGIBLE CHILDREN
8.30AM UNTIL 5.30PM
23RD JULY – 1ST SEPTEMBER

Houses of Parliament Roundtable Discussion Group



Three of our students, Heather Jay, Abbey Robson and Millie Davis were invited to participate in a discussion with the Roundtable group about 'Getting All Girls Active'. This involved the Minister for Sport, Stephanie Peacock, and Rachel Taylor MP as well as sporting organisations. Below is an extract from Rachel Taylor MP's comments from the day.

"At my 'Getting All Girls Active' roundtable today, sports organisations and students from The Polesworth School spoke to the Minister for Sport, Stephanie Peacock, about the need for all girls to be able to take part in and enjoy sport. The Polesworth students made brilliant contributions, and like the rest of us in the room, they are fed up that girls don't get the same opportunities to be active. It's time to equalize access to sport and understand the challenges girls face so that all girls can be active and enjoy sport and physical activity."

We are extremely proud of the girls representing our community at the House of Parliament. Hopefully, they end up representing us as an MP one day!



Duke of Edinburgh



Mr Castledine has been busy recruiting new students for the Duke of Edinburgh scheme for September. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) is a youth program that helps young people build confidence, resilience, and life skills. Open to anyone aged 14 to 24, it involves completing activities in four areas: Volunteering, Physical, Skills, and an Expedition.



Year 11 Prom



Triumph over Adversity!

Well done to Freya who back in March ran in the National Primary and Y7 Cross Country Final. Unfortunately, she didn't quite have the run she wanted as she lost a shoe early on in the first lap after another runner stood on the back!! She ran the whole race with one shoe on, one shoe off!!! Despite Freya's time and place not being what she wanted, she still finished the race and was able to see the funny side showing true determination and tenacity! Well done Freya, we are all proud of you!



Club 50 and 100

Well done to all of our Club 50 and Club 100 members this year! Students are rewarded for attending extra curricular PE Clubs when they have scanned the QR code to register their attendance. Here are just a few of our successful students!



District Athletics Champions - All Age Groups

CHAMPIONS



We are thrilled to announce that our Inter and Junior athletics teams emerged victorious at the recent District Athletics Competition, competing against ten other schools. The event showcased outstanding talent, dedication, and teamwork from our students, who delivered exceptional performances across a range of track and field events.

Highlights included multiple first-place finishes in sprints, long-distance races, and relays, as well as strong showings in jumping and throwing events. The team's consistent results and positive spirit ultimately secured them the top spot overall.

Congratulations to all athletes and staff involved for bringing home the trophy and making the school proud!

Sports Day 2025

What a day! The weather was perfect for a highly competitive day of athletics. The student's attitude towards competing and supporting each other was excellent. There was a real team spirit for the Houses that got more and more evident throughout the day culminating in the sprinting events in the afternoon. There were some remarkable performances not just in terms of the level achieved but also in terms of the endeavour and character we try to instill within the students at Polesworth through our ME in PE. There were a number of records broken on the day that had stood for many years, please see the table below. Special thanks go to all the staff and students involved in selecting the teams, running the events and ensuring the day runs successfully. Well done to all involved and hopefully it has inspired some students to join the local athletics clubs in Tamworth and Nuneaton to develop their abilities.

	YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 9	YEAR 10	YEAR 12	OVERALL
1ST	A - 291	K - 315.5	A - 301	K - 324	S - 20	A - 1163
2ND	K - 285.5	W - 282.5	W - 293.5	A - 309	K - 18	K - 1151.5
3RD	W - 257	A - 262	S - 288	S - 291	A - 0	W - 1096
4TH	S - 235.5	S - 252	K - 208.5	W - 263	W - 0	S - 1086.5

NEW RECORDS			
SHOT YR10 MALE	ZR	ARDEN	11.43
LONG JUMP YR7 FEMALE	AS	KENILWORTH	4.13
LONG JUMP YR8 MALE	NF	STRATFORD	5.1
TRIPLE JUMP YR9 MALE	NA	ARDEN	11.13
TRIPLE JUMP YR10 FEMALE	JT	KENILWORTH	8.2
800M YR8 FEMALE	JV	ARDEN	2.48
800M YR9 MALE	AH	WARWICK	2.22
1500M YR9 MALE	AH	WARWICK	4.53
RELAY YR8 MALE		ARDEN	55.55

WINNERS!

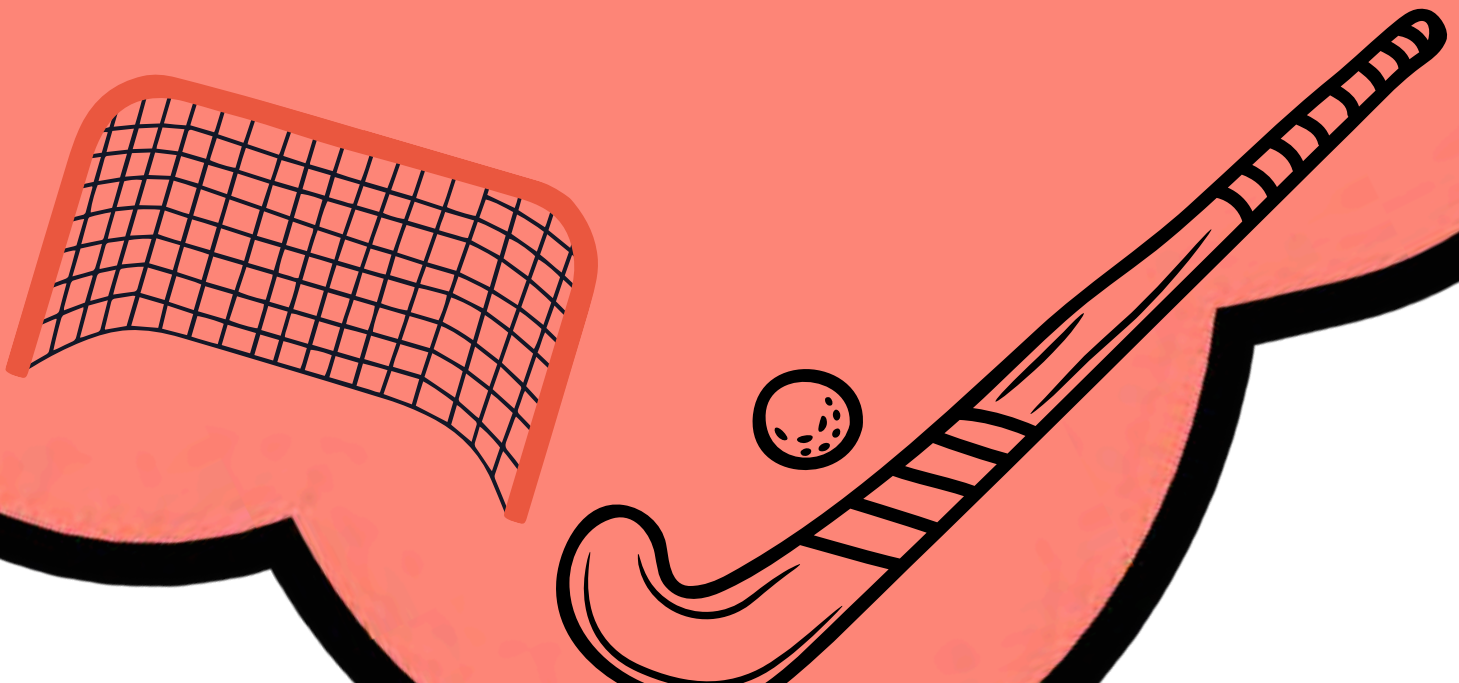


ARDEN

Ethan Connor - Hockey Champion



Ethan Connor Y12 took part in an England Hockey Tier 3 Plate on the 4th May with his local team Atherstone Adders. They successfully made their way to the final after playing teams around the country. The final was played at Lea Valley Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in London. They won 5-2 beating Clifton Robinson 4th team from Bristol.



Sam Halle-Hinxman - The next Karting World Champion...?

Sam Halle-Hinxman in Year 12 is quite the talented student, however this particular talent of his isn't in the classroom. Sam's expertise lies in Karting.

Sam has been fascinated since the age of 3 years old, first got into a kart at 7 years old and has been hooked ever since. From there he has gone from local club level in Cadets, to Juniors a year early at 11, then Seniors at 15, becoming a podium regular over the last couple of years!

Back in March at the Tillotson T4 Nations Cup, Sam was successful in gaining entrance to a highly prestigious Championship in Valencia in October which could result in him becoming World Champion! He was one of only two Brits in the top ten, and the only Brit on the podium.

The World Championship will be taking place from the 1st - 5th of October, being held at "Kartodromo Internacional Lucas Guerrero". It will be fully live streamed and commentated in English for viewers to watch. There will likely be 100+ entrants from around the world, a few of which being from the likes of the US, Australia, Columbia, China, Germany, Italy and more. Sam will be representing team UK for the first time, with the simple goal of leaving as a world champion..



The honour of entering doesn't come cheap though. To enter the Championship Sam needs to raise an estimated £8000. His winnings from March put £500 towards this plus he has gained some funds from sponsorships. Sam will be running a half marathon later this year to try and raise some money along with trying to find further sponsorship and getting some part-time work to supplement. He is definitely giving this amazing opportunity his all!

If you would like to help Sam achieve his dream, he has a Just Giving Page where you can donate towards his funds. The link is below
https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/hinxmanracing?utm_term=Vjz8QmWXY

If you want to check out Sam's website too, you can find it at [Hinxman Racing](#).

Summer Term Trips

We would like to thank our staff who make these trips possible, from the planning, booking, organising and supervising, which enable our students to have these wonderful experiences and make memories which will last a lifetime!

Germany



Students had a great trip to Germany earlier in the year, visiting Marksburg Castle, Phantasialand and enjoying an evening walk along the Rhine.

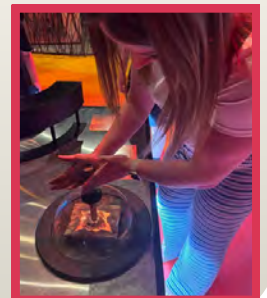
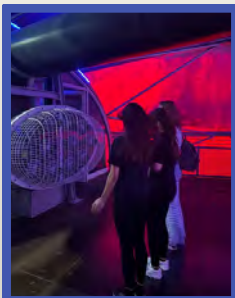
Wicked Workshop

A wonderful day of singing favourite songs from the musical Wicked!



Magna Science Adventure Centre

Our Year 8 students enjoyed a day out at Magna Science Museum, Sheffield. They attended a number of workshops and explored the museum's different zones of fire, wind, water, and earth.

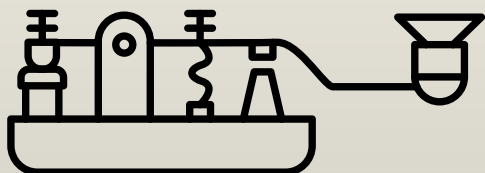


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Bletchley Park



Our Year 8 and 9 students visited the home of the World War II codebreakers - Bletchley Park, Buckinghamshire. Whilst there, our students discovered incredible stories of the men and women who changed the course of history.



Cadbury World



Our Year 7s had a great time at Cadbury World!

Polesworth Alumni



Huge congratulations to past student Alfie Maughan. Alfie has just signed his first two year professional contract with West Bromwich Albion.



Congratulations, Alfie!

Proof that a positive attitude and dedication to a sport he loves has certainly paid off. Everyone at Polesworth wishes Alfie the best of luck on this exciting journey.

Hi, I'm Arran Hart and I'm proud to have attended The Polesworth School.

To date, I finished my 3rd degree in 2020 (Masters in Social Cultural History) and taught as a history teacher since 2017. I have been fortunate enough to have my work & research published in a number of academic journals over the years, and even speak to the BBC about research that I once carried out.



My alter ego 'Celine Begone' has taken me all over the country (and even briefly to Spain) and granted me the chance to perform on a stage in front of 4000 people, alongside a line-up of some incredible performers, from Ru Paul Drag Race Queens, to singers, and more. One of my most recent achievement was performing as the opening act for Spandau Ballet's Martin Kemp for the 2nd year running. Celine is a frequent appearance to the local media, whether it be TV or radio, they can't get enough of what she has to offer!

I've been volunteering with Lincoln Pride since 2014 and have slowly become more involved over the years, to the point of being elected as their Director of Community Engagement to help further build relations with Lincoln and its surrounding area, working proactively to increase engagement and foster a more inclusive community. I was recently invited to my local college to engage with students and performed as the closing act at their college fashion show. This was a great experience and also rounded off a busy Pride month here in Lincoln.

Since 2014, I've helped to fundraise hundreds of thousands of pounds for charities through fundraising activities & sponsorships.

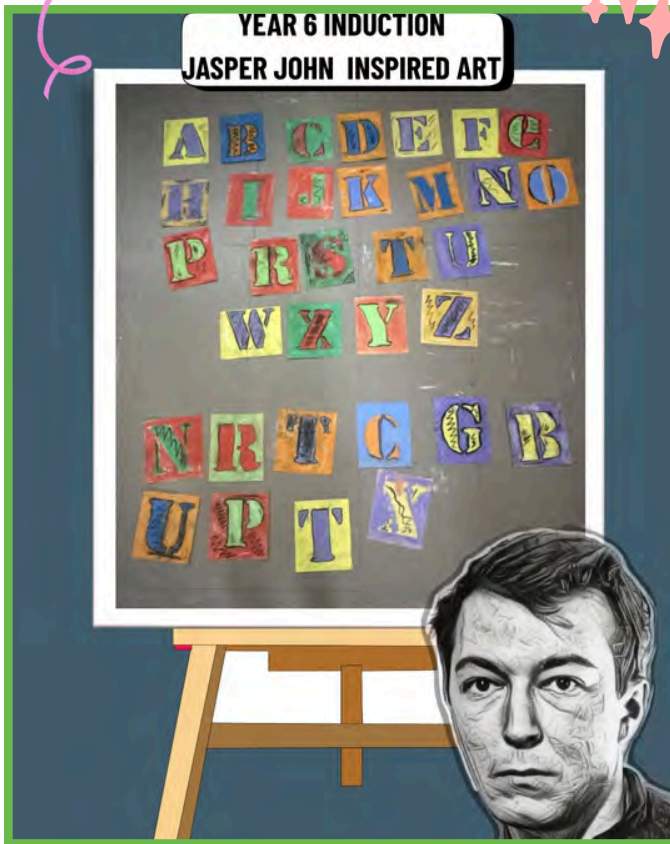


Our very own Mr Haywood - Head of Year 8 is included in our talented alumni. Having attended the Polesworth School, he was always in the music and drama studio joining in with various clubs and the school production. Miss Wilkinson was his science teacher and found this photo showing them 10 years on!

Look out for our new Polesworth Alumni page coming soon on Social Media!



Induction Days



Wednesday 2nd July saw our new Year 7 students coming to Polesworth for their Induction Day. They took part in lots of new lessons and got more familiar with the school site. During their Art lesson with Miss Thompson, they created a Jasper John alphabet inspired piece. In D&T they made block people. They had to mark out the holes and use a pillar drill to drill them! Well done all, we look forward to seeing you all in September.

**GREAT
START**



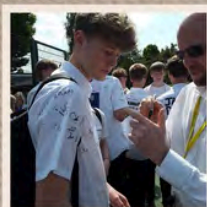
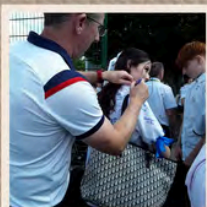
On July 8th we welcomed our new Y12 students to Polesworth for their Induction Day. Students had the opportunity to attend taster sessions in their chosen subjects, meet their tutors and see what Polesworth has to offer at KS5.



Leavers

Some great designs on the leavers shirts this year!

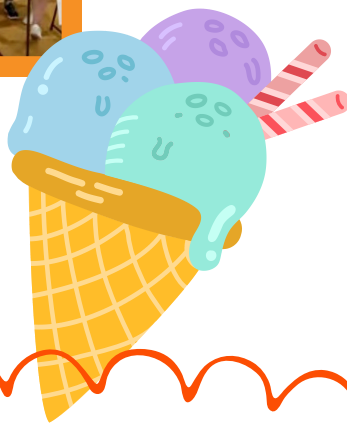
We wish you all well with your plans for the future.



Summer Fayre



Grand Raffle

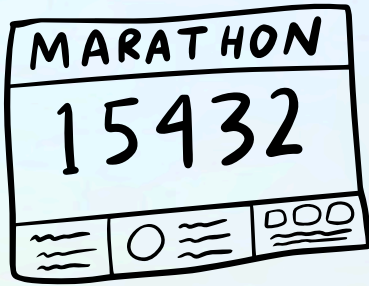


A HUGE thank you to everyone who visited our Summer Fayre! An even bigger thank you to all of the staff, students, and parents who gave up their time to help on the day.

We raised £ 1340.31 - Thank you!

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RAISED!**

Inspiring Staff



We are incredibly proud to celebrate the remarkable achievement of Rhiannon Goodeve (Pastoral Lead), and Beth Currall (English Department) who both completed marathons back in April. Beth completed the Manchester Marathon and Rhiannon the London Marathon. Crossing the finish line in just over five hours, Rhiannon's journey was about far more than just the miles. With 10km to go, she paused her own race to help a fellow runner who had collapsed. In a powerful act of kindness, Rhiannon stayed by their side, held their hand, and ensured they crossed the finish line together. Rhiannon's marathon preparation began months ago, training through the dark winter mornings and challenging weather. Her dedication paid off not only in completing the race but also in raising an incredible £1,500 for the Heart of Tamworth charity. Alongside her role at Polesworth, Rhiannon is also a Youth Worker and is currently studying for a master's degree — making her marathon accomplishment even more impressive.

Congratulations to Rhiannon and Beth for their amazing achievements.



Borrowed Garden



Our borrowed garden is starting to take shape, and the latest downpour of rain has certainly helped.

It has been a team effort to get the garden established before the summer. Special thanks must go to:

Paul Reece, Maxine Dandy

Paul Reece's Mum, Helen Broome's Dad!

Josh H (Y11), Nick Atkins, Natalie Twells & the Dordon Community Wickes Ruth Collier, Jack L (Yr12), Tyler F (Yr8)

Important Dates



A LEVEL RESULTS DAY



GCSE RESULTS DAY



TEACHER TRAINING DAY



YEARS 7, 12 & 13 RETURN



YEARS 8, 9, 10 & 11 RETURN

Our Uniform

Blazer

White shirt

Tie

Student lanyard

**Trousers or Polesworth
branded skirt**

**Black leather / leather
effect footwear**



*Please see our website
for the uniform policy and full uniform guide
www.thepolesworthschool.com/uniform*

