

SPRING 2016

SUCCESS



DESIGNED AND PRODUCED BY THE STUDENTS OF SCALBY SCHOOL

FLYING HIGH

The performance of *Kes* was a great success for Scalby School. Performances took place at the renowned Stephen Joseph Theatre on the 11th, 12th and 13th February. Mrs Buric, Head of Performing Arts, was the show's director and producer and guided the work of over 100 students including musicians, cast and crew. What was remarkable was that the two lead actors who played Billy Casper

on alternate nights, Taran Fox and Will Stanway are both only Year 8 students, yet showed great maturity in their performance. There were many positive reactions to the production, including the following words from the Mayor of Scarborough, "We were captured by the quality of the words; a brilliant performance, a brilliant evening, for which we are truly appreciative."



SCALBY ACADEMY FUTURE

There are significant changes afoot in the near future for Scalby School. Mr Read and the Governing body have announced that the school has been approved to become an academy from the 1st September 2016. The process is currently in the consultation phase. For students, the school will still stay the same in terms of uniform, behaviour system, and school times. An academy is a school funded by the central government instead of a local authority. As a result, there will be £30,000 extra to spend which will go towards technology and extra resources for students. Our Headteacher Mr Read said, "As an academy, we decide what happens, there will be more resources, though for students the school will feel essentially the same."



ART FINAL PIECES

Year 10 are currently working on their final pieces for their art GCSE. The project they are working on is based on *The Lion King*. After creating their initial designs, students began to develop their ideas step by step, thinking about the materials they needed to use. Once they had completed their planning, they started turning their ideas into 3D models and masks, which is a detailed process that will not be completed until Year 11.



YEAR 6 ENGLISH TRANSITION DAY

Scalby School has recently given Year 6 pupils from local primary schools the opportunity to participate in transition activities involving Maths and English. In English, they took part in a challenge that included them writing the start of an engaging story, a creative book story board and the design of a front cover. They then had to "pitch" their ideas to the rest of the class to assess its quality. They clearly had a fantastic time, saying "We have learnt how to work better in a team, learnt the difference between diegetic and non-diegetic sound and also what connotations are."



HEADING FOR SUCCESS



At the start of the school year, Megan Ward and Alex Dixon were voted the new Head Boy and Head Girl for 2015/16. Their responsibilities include organising the prom committee, charity events in and around the school and meeting the Headteacher to discuss ways of making the student

experience better. It also gives Alex and Megan the opportunity to interview members of staff during the recruitment process. Megan enjoys being Head Girl because, "It's good to know I can help the school and make a difference. Being Head Boy or Girl is a unique opportunity and privilege; something that not everyone can say they were able to do."

COMING UP TO THE MARK

Scalby School's cohort of 2015 achieved some excellent examination results that will provide them with a solid foundation upon which to base their further studies and future careers. The vast majority of students can be very proud of what they have achieved, particularly as GCSE examinations are now more rigorous than ever. Results across the range of subjects were better than 2014 and the school will be working hard to exceed these in 2016. On the key measure of students achieving 5 or more A*-C grades including English and mathematics, 58% did so, which was higher than the national average.



LEAVING WITH A CELEBRATION

The prom is an important annual event at Scalby, as it is in many schools. When Year 11 students have successfully finished school, they hold a celebration event after their GCSE examinations. It is a night when you wear your best dresses and suits and is a fun and memorable way to round off your five years at Scalby School. There is a strict attendance policy, so students will not be allowed to attend the prom if their attendance is lower than 95%. The 2016 prom will be held at the famous Spa while last year's (pictured) was at the Scarborough Rugby Club.



CREATIVE DAYS

Once every term, the students stop doing their usual lessons for a day and participate in other activities on an Immersion Day. In November, the Year 7s did Christmas crafts, the Year 8s did a thing called "Prison Me? No Way!" This is an initiative where students are made aware of the consequences of crime. The Year 9s went to York to learn about the history of crime and punishment, while Year 10s did a charity event at the Spa in aid of the Rainbow Centre. Meanwhile, the Year 11s took part in a relax and revise session in readiness for their pre-public examinations.



SCALBY SEVENS TOURNAMENT TRY-OUT

In late Spring 2016, Scalby School will be participating in a rugby union 7s tournament at Malton against schools from the whole Scarborough district including many local secondary schools. The tournament will consist of schools playing each other in groups and the winner being

awarded at the end of the day, with a chance to proceed into the next stage of the competition. Students are looking forward to participating in the competition and are hoping to win it. School captain James Clifford stated he was, "looking forward to the challenge of the matches".



RUNNING FOR RELIEF

On the 18th of March, Scalby School supported Sport Relief by doing a number of events around school. These included a continuous staff relay around the school. Students can also join in "wacky sports" for only 50p. The day was also be a non-uniform day where students paid a pound to raise money for charity by wearing their own clothes with a sporty theme. The school also held a charity bake off event with all proceeds going towards Sport Relief and over £1,200 was raised.

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