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it's all about our students and their future...

THIS YEAR'S ENTERPRISE WEEK TO BE BIGGER AND BETTER

This year we are launching our biggest ever Enterprise Week, with the opportunity to travel to Europe and enjoy days around England on offer to all.

Following on from the success of our first Enterprise Week last year, more residential trips and one-day activities have been added to ensure that all students will have the opportunity to enjoy a rewarding experience.

All students will be taken off timetable from Monday, July 2nd to Friday, July 6th, with a series of on site and off site activities being staged.

We are giving students and parents plenty of advance warning so that they have time to consider what trips or activities they would like to take part in.

Vice Principal Lorraine Smith, said: "We wanted to develop the students' enterprise skills, especially their team working and

communication skills."

Letters will go home to parents shortly at the start of Term 2 to inform them about the trips and events available to their children. Information will also be posted on our website.

Student Jamie Delargy said: "Last year the cricket team toured Newquay and played games against local school teams. It was brilliant to compare the way they played cricket with our style. I am really looking forward to this year's Enterprise Week to see what else I can be involved in."

Confirmed trips will include a residential to Poland (with a visit to Auschwitz), an overnight dance workshop and theatre visit to London, an opportunity to get involved with the annual Bastille Day in Kettering, a visit to the Space Centre in Leicester and other places of interest in the region.

Parents are being asked to reserve their child's place as soon as possible following receipt of the letter. We will have set up an electronic pay system accessible through our website so parents have the option of paying online or by the usual method of sending in a cheque accompanied by the return slip. Trips out of school will require a deposit to secure a place (which will be refundable if the trip is unable to go ahead because of insufficient numbers).



GIFTED AND TALENTED WORKSHOP PROGRAMME LAUNCHED

Our first term saw the launch of a new Gifted and Talented Enrichment Programme.

On Saturday, October 15th Gifted and Talented students from all year groups took part in our first ever Saturday workshop. Students were tasked with an Apprentice Style project and then at the end of the day made a presentation to staff and students. For a full report of the event turn to P13.



FROM THE EDITOR

It's been a really busy start to this academic year with much activity across all years.

Students have been involved with Gifted and Talented workshops, been on career days organised by our sponsor Rockingham Speedway and have some spent the last week of term blazing the campaign trail to become elected as Forum representatives.

We also have been supported by our business partners Roquette (read more on p16) whose staff undertook a charity cycle across the channel and the editor donated some of the proceeds to our UNIT.

We would also like to tell you more about our Sixth Form opportunities ahead of the forthcoming Open Evening on Tuesday, November 29th (p9).

Sarah Ashby
Vice Principal – PNS



Corby Business Academy

LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

“ As always our young people are the best advert and ambassadors for the values of high aspiration and commitment to succeed that CBA promotes. ”



Dear Parent/Carer

I am delighted to welcome you to this latest edition of In Press.

As you can see from the following pages, we have had a very busy and productive start to the year. I am especially delighted to report that nearly 800 visitors have been through the doors of CBA during our Open Week and we have received excellent feedback regarding the warm welcome extended to all our guests by our students. As always our young people are the best advert and ambassadors for the

values of high aspiration and commitment to succeed that CBA promotes.

I am also very pleased to formally introduce John Henrys to you as the Acting Principal at CBA for this academic year. John will be managing day to day affairs and will be leading both staff and students in our ongoing drive for improvement.

In addition to supporting John, my own role this year will be that of Deputy Executive Principal of the Brooke Weston Partnership

and will focus on developing new projects whilst also supporting our existing schools. I would like to reassure parents that John and I will be working closely together on a daily basis to ensure CBA goes from strength to strength.

**Deputy Executive Principal,
Brooke Weston Partnership**



MEET OUR NEW ACTING PRINCIPAL

John Henrys has become Acting Principal after previously carrying out the role of Vice Principal responsible for curriculum development.

Mr Henrys joined CBA in 2009 following a successful career as a Teaching and Learning Consultant for a group of 18 schools in the West Midlands. With a background as a Humanities Teacher, he has worked within the education sector for 15 years.

He said: "It is a great privilege to take on the role as Acting principal at Corby Business Academy at this important time in the Academy's development. As you are aware, life in the Academy is fast paced and constantly changing giving rise to many opportunities both within lessons and outside of normal lesson times. I expect every student to engage fully with the opportunities they are given and work hard to maximise future opportunities. The aim is to build upon previous Academy successes and further develop all aspects of Academy life in order to ensure that the highest standards are maintained and students are given every opportunity to achieve to their full potential.

"I look forward to continuing to work with students, parents and staff within the Academy and wish everyone the best of luck for a successful year."

CBA ACHIEVED ITS BEST EVER SET OF GCSE AND A LEVEL RESULTS THIS SUMMER.

More than three quarters of students (77 percent) gained five or more A* to C grades at GCSE and 55% of students achieved As and Bs in Level 3 courses (A Levels and vocational subjects) - a significant improvement on the previous year.

Deputy Executive Principal of the Brooke Weston Partnership Andrew Campbell said: "These results are a clear indication of the ambition of CBA and what we have achieved in the three years since opening. The results are testament to the hard work and determination of students and their teachers."

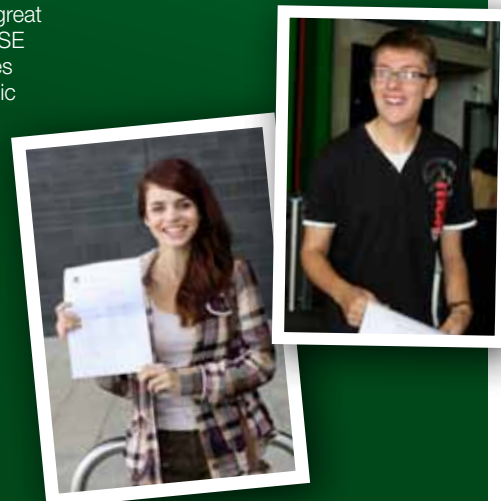
At GCSE our students showed great strength in the highly valued GCSE subjects with good performances in subjects such as History, Music and English Literature - in which 65 percent of students gained the top rated A* or A qualifications.

Year 11 student Dominick Dolecki gained 9 A* at GCSE or equivalent and 3 As. He will continue studying within the Brooke Weston Partnership to achieve the A Levels needed to enter the dentistry profession. Other top achievers include Andreea Paisa, Fraser Gillan, Charlotte Bean, Julia Marquis-Pike and Steven Forsythe.

Once again the Academy has continued to thrive at its business specialism, with 16 Business Certificate distinction star grades.

As well as some outstanding A Level results, students also excelled in vocational subjects. Success in the Academy's business specialism included 75% of students achieving a distinction (equivalent to an A at A Level) in BTEC Business. In almost all vocational subjects.

For more information about our A Level success turn to page 8.



Corby Business Academy

Key Dates



Please be aware there may be slight adjustments as the terms progress.
Please check for updates on our website, www.corbybusinessacademy.org

2011 TERM 2

Mon Oct 31st	Start of Term 2 for all staff and students
Wed Nov 9th	Trip – Blood Brothers – V Clements
Mon Nov 14th	Parents' in Partnership Meeting – 6.30-7.30pm
Tues Nov 15th	School Photo Day
Wed Nov 23rd	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Wed Dec 7th	Parent Forum Meeting – 6.00-7.00pm
Thur Dec 8th	Brooke Weston Partnership Salvation Army Concert
Mon Dec 12th	Pantomime – Cinderella – N Clark
Wed Dec 14th	CBA Christmas Concert
Fri Dec 16th	End of Term 2

2012 TERM 3

Mon Jan 2nd	Staff Training Day
Tues Jan 3rd	Start of Term 3 for all students

NOTIFICATION OF CIRCUMSTANCE CHANGE

We would like to remind parents that we **MUST** be informed of any change of circumstance, such as a house move or telephone number change.

Please email Robbie Henderson at Rhenderson@corbybusinessacademy.org or send a letter to the address printed on the last page of this magazine.

Online Payments
coming soon to our Academy

VISA MasterCard World Maestro VISA DEBIT VISA ELECTRON

We're making payments to our Academy easier, soon you will be able to pay online.

PAY FOR YOUR CHILD'S MEALS ONLINE

A new payment system is being launched after half term that will allow catering accounts to be credited through our website. Parents will be able to click onto a Wisepay logo on the website's front page and after logging in they can view the balance of their child's account, top-up balances and also view what their child has been eating. A letter will be sent to each home at the start of Term 2 explaining how to use the system. Students will also be able to view their balance by clicking on the catering balance logo which has recently been added. To do so they will need to enter their email address and password.



PROSPECTIVE PARENTS VISIT CBA

More than 700 people made a visit to CBA in October when we opened our doors to prospective Year 6 students. Interest in our Academy was once again high, as parents and Year 6 pupils from across Corby and the surrounding areas turned out to find out more about us. The tours – which were held twice daily – were hosted by our Sixth Form Guides. Visitors were also given an introduction to CBA with presentations on Monday and Tuesday evening.

Vice Principal Lorraine Smith said: "We were extremely pleased with the number of people who came along to visit us. "The feedback that came back was that people were impressed with the building and how helpful everybody was. They were also impressed with how the students got on with their daily business." Parents have until Monday, October 31 to complete their common preference form and return it to the local authority. For more information about the application process access the Northamptonshire County Council Website. A link to our school prospectus is available on the front page of our Academy website.

NOVEMBER GCSE EXAMS

Date	Name	Start	Time allowed
08/11/2011	English Legacy (paper 1)	09:00	2hrs
09/11/2011	Maths A (Linear) non-calculator	13:30	1hr 30m
09/11/2011	Maths A (Linear) non-calculator	13:30	1hr 45m
09/11/2011	Maths B (Modular) calculator	13:30	1hr 15m
09/11/2011	Maths B (Modular) calculator	13:30	1hr 15m
11/11/2011	English Legacy (Paper 2)	13:00	2hrs
14/11/2011	Maths A (Linear) calculator	09:00	1hr 30m
14/11/2011	Maths A (Linear) calculator	09:00	1hr 45m
14/11/2011	Maths B (Modular) non-calculator	09:00	1hr 15m
14/11/2011	Maths B (Modular) non-calculator	09:00	1hr 15m

<http://www.corbybusinessacademy.org/Calendar/default2.aspx>

PHYSICAL & NATURAL SCIENCES (PNS)

STARTING LEARNING EARLY

An AS Level Psychology lesson was a matter of child's play when an eleven month old baby came in to help students put theory into practice. Susie Roques and her daughter Emma made a class visit to assist students with the topic of developmental psychology.

The subjects of mother and child bond and attachment were explored as the students put questions to Mrs Roques and observed the relationship between the pair.

Teacher Felicity Cornish, who invited friend Susie into the classroom, said: "This will really help the students to examine the different theories and will be of great help when it comes to their exam."

Mrs Roques said: "Emma is a confident baby and very curious so I knew that she would enjoy the day."

The mother and baby also made a visit to the BTEC Child Development lesson where they assessed her development milestones.



GOALS GALORE

The Year 7/8 Girls Football team has got off to a flying start this season.

The team kept a clean sheet and put nine goals past the Latimer School goalie in the first game of the season and beat The Kingswood School team 6-1 their second match.

They have now made it to the play offs. Sports teacher Natasha Dunstone who is coaching the team along with Sixth Form student Rebecca Welsh, said: "We have some really talented players who have joined the school this year and the high

number of Year 7s has encouraged more Year 8s to come along.

"A lot of the team also are members of teams outside of school and the extra practice really shows."

Year 7 Emily Russell plays for Aztec girls team and is due to have a trial for Leicester girls.

She said: "I love football and hopefully the team will do well."

The team have a few more competitive games and a tournament lined up and then will play some friendly matches.

YEAR 9 GIRLS SELECTED TO PLAY AT COUNTY LEVEL

Two Year 9 netball players have made it into the county squad.

Erica Turner and Heather Phillips are now in the ranks of the best players in the county after being selected to represent Northamptonshire at U16 level.

The honour comes after much hard work from both girls who both play for Corby Netball Club as well as the CBA team.

Netball Coach Amy Harris said: "Erica and Heather have been CBA netball players for the last three years and have

developed extremely well, representing the Academy in district and county matches.

"Being chosen to represent U16's is a fantastic opportunity for the girls and shows the determination that they both have and dedication to the sport. Both players will continue their development within the Academy when the netball seasons re-starts in February.

"They have been an absolute pleasure to coach and I am sure they will be excellent ambassadors for younger students wanting to play."



NAMES NEEDED FOR NEW PET CLUB MEMBERS

Creative minded students are being called upon to name two new additions to the Pet Club Family. Two Axolotls have made a home at CBA and Pet Club organizer Neil Price is asking students to come up with some apt monikers for the new arrivals. The Mexican Axolotl is a pink fish that is thought to be an under evolved Salamander. Students are also being asked by Mr Price to

join him in some star gazing when the darker nights draw in.

Astronomy club is being run on alternate nights to Pet Club on Thursdays in PL4.

Name suggestions should be emailed to Mr Price who will decide on the winning entry at nprice@corbybusinessacademy.org

COMMUNICATIONS (COMMS)

GET INVOLVED WITH

RADIOWAVES
Explore Create Connect

Students are being encouraged to blog and share stories, thoughts, videos and photos on a CBA themed website.

The Radiowaves website has been re-launched and it is hoped it will become a vibrant social media environment for CBA students.

Gifted and Talented coordinator Claire Howsam, who is running the website said: "Radiowaves is a great way for students to share their thoughts and connect with other students.

"They can use it to discuss topics within class, share what they have been doing in their Session 4 Clubs, post their creative stories, share prom pictures – anything that is school related."

The website currently has more than 200 members and the aim is to reach 500 in the near future. The Student Reporter of the

Term honour has gone to Year 7 pupil Gareth De Beer.

Gareth, who loves to read books and enjoys creative writing, has been a very active member of Radiowaves.

His contribution has included posting his own stories and writing a funny article comparing TV bad guys Alan Sugar and Simon Cowell.

He said: "I just think that Radiowaves is cool. It's a great way of having your writing published so that other people can read it."

Getting involved with Radiowaves is easy. There is a link on the homepage of the CBA website and students just need to sign in and then start blogging.

As well as acting as a place for students to upload stories and pictures and blog, it is also going to be used as a Virtual Learning



Gareth De Beer considers his next report

Environment where students can log on to access their homework. Currently GCSE and A Level Media students can log on to access the lesson notes and acquire extended homework questions. There are also plans to roll it out to other subjects. Eager students who want to have a more involved role with the website can become junior reporters. Any students who are interested can contact Miss Howsam (based in COMMS) at chowsam@corbybusinessacademy.org.

EUROPEAN LANGUAGES DAY

Conversation in languages from across the globe was heard in the CBA classrooms as staff and students celebrated European Languages Day.

On September 26th the Academy was given a multicultural flavour as students were invited to speak in and learn more about different languages. French, Spanish, German, Dutch, Chinese, Japanese, Lugandan (the language of Uganda) and Fanti (a Ghanaian language) were among the languages that students discovered more about.

Year 8 students learned some Spanish and German as well as new French vocabulary as they completed a puzzle of famous landmarks and Year 7 learned more about languages in the world through a 'Qui sera Millionaire?' quiz. They were also awarded certificates for excellent homework.

Some Sixth Form Math lessons were part given in Fanti.

And it was not just confined to the classrooms, as the restaurant menus were translated into French, German and Spanish, staff and GCSE French students wore badges displaying words in different languages.

Director of Modern Languages Karen Turney said: "Twenty-five languages are represented at the Academy and we are proud of this linguistic diversity."



Year 7 students with their homework certificates

SITTING EXAMS EARLY

Catherine Grant and Charlotte Bean gained an AS in a new subject even before they had entered the Sixth Form ranks.

The talented pair were selected as part of the CBA Gifted and Talented programme to study for the Extended Project qualification, and despite being marked against students one year older they walked away with excellent results. For the qualification the students had to research and then write a 5,000 word essay on a subject of their choice.

Catherine wrote about the issue of homosexuality in the army and gained an A grade.

She said: "It was difficult as there was a huge amount of research to do, but it has definitely stood us in good stead for our A Level studies."

Charlotte focused on media representation, gained a B grade.

The pair were assisted in their studies by Kirsty Farrar, Assistant Vice Principal For Aspiration, and Gifted and Talented Coordinator Claire Howsam.

Mrs Farrar said: "The girls have done exceptionally well and we put them forward as we knew their capabilities."



MEDIA

Here is an excellent photograph from one of our talented GCSE Media Studies student Eleanor Jones, who was tasked with taking some original images.



ARTS MUSIC & INDUSTRIAL DESIGN (AMID)



STUDENTS INSPIRED BY SEEING WORK OF MACKINTOSH

As part of their Art and BTEC Diploma students from Years 9, 10 and 11 have been studying Charles Rennie Mackintosh and using his work to inspire their own creations. Some fantastic furniture and fabrics have been made by our talented students and to give them a further insight into his world more than 60 students visited his celebrated interior design project at 78 Derngate Northampton.

Director of Art Jacqui Brown said: "On one of the visit the students were even given a tour by the grand daughter of Bassett Loakes (the man who commissioned the 78 Derngate design). "The students said they found the lady interesting and inspiring. "The trios have been a great success – the students have gained a lot from it, and I myself have been given a new angle on how to teach about Charles Rennie Mackintosh."

ELECTRONICS CLUB

A new club is being launched this term that is sure to switch on the interest of many CBA students. The Electronics Club is going to be run by teacher David Mitchell and will see students make a wide of electrical products.

Mr Mitchell said: "We are going to start off with simple products such as LED badges and we will then move on to more complicated ideas and designs of the students' choosing."

The club will be held during Session 4 on Thursdays in the AMID Faculty.



Right: Items like Frazer Gillan's ipod dock will be made in the new club

LUNAR RACING

Three Year 11 students experienced the world of professional motorsport on October 8th when they became part of the pit crew for a racing team at the famous Silverstone circuit.

The event was the Volkswagen Racing Cup, which attracts competitors from around the country. The trio, Josh Farr, Thomas Jeffery and Daniel Gair, went along with Lunar Racing, a motorsport team based at our neighbour Rockingham Motor Speedway. The racing team specialises in education, working with students aged from 14-18 to build and maintain real racing cars that compete against professional racing teams in professional championships.

Thomas Jeffery, who intends on becoming a World Rally Series mechanic, said: "It was just an amazing experience.

"We were able to go into the garages and have a look at the real world of motorsport.

"It has confirmed even more that I want to work as a mechanic."

The three students are all studying their Institute of Motoring Industry (IMI) Level 2 with Lunar Racing.

The two year course contains both theoretical study and practical study.



MAKING POPULAR MUSIC

More than 160 students are now receiving music tuition here at CBA.

In order to service the high levels of students who want to study an instrument, our music staff team are being supplemented by ten members of peripatetic staff who come in to give specialist tuition.

The peripatetic staff are often professional musicians or former teachers who have been brought in by Director of Music Clive Wears to ensure students are receiving the best levels of tuition. Gary Fountain is a former member of the GUS Band and teaches the brass instruments.



He said: "We can assess the students as to whether the instrument is the right one and then work on their technique. "I have found the students here to be motivated and very capable and there is a strong musical community being built here at CBA."

Students have either a 20 minute individual or shared lesson depending on the standard they have reached. The majority of students are working towards examinations.



INSTRUMENTS FROM DOWN UNDER

Some students from the UNIT took on the challenge of the didgeridoo as part of their World Music lessons. Teacher Ena Fry has been introducing the students to many unusual instruments and was impressed with how well the students did with the Aboriginal icon. She said: "Many of the students managed to get a good sound out of the instrument, which was great for a first attempt."

MATHEMATICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (MAIT)

STUDENTS DESIGN WEBSITE FOR CORBY LEARNING PARTNERSHIP

CBA students have been called in to help an education service refresh its website. Corby Learning Partnership's website will have a face-lift in the next few weeks as students in Karl Lomax's web design club. The partnership wanted to update what it currently offers and have a more modern look.

CLP Project and Development Officer Rebecca Bishop said: "We met up with Principal Andrew Campbell in the summer break and mentioned that we wanted to give our current website a new look and he said he thought some students could help, and that he would look into it.

"It is great to be able to work with Corby students on this – as this is what the partnership is about.

"We are impressed with the ideas that have come forward so far and are really looking forward to seeing the finished product."

CLP works with the public, private and voluntary sectors in the town to raise children's levels of aspiration and attainment.

It works with all the schools in Corby and also supports families within the town. It also runs a town wide reading and literacy project.

Mr Lomax, who helped a team of students design and build from scratch a website for Corby Business Group, said: "This is a great challenge for our students and it is good for them to work on real projects as it gives a feeling of the working world."



MATHS MENTORING

Students in Years 10 and 11 are being given all the help and support they need with their Maths lessons.

In preparation for their coming GCSE exams the MAIT department is putting extra resources forward to make sure all students are able to reach their potential.

A number of students are being given personally tailored sessions with one-one coordinator Annie Morris and MAIT staff have also been working during Session 4 with individual students.

Mrs Morris has also been working with students in Years 9 to help them before they enter their GCSE years.

David Joseph, Acting Head of Maths said: "We have identified those students who would benefit from the 1-1 tuition and we have also been helping students who have requested additional support.

"For many it is about gaining confidence in the subject and from there they can go on to getting good GCSE grades."



LEARN ABOUT COMPUTERS

MAIT teacher Maxwell Sam is in the process of setting up a Computer Building Club.

The teacher held a laptop building session during Enterprise Week and after a good response from pupils he has decided to extend it into Session 4.

More details to follow soon.



STUDENTS HAVE ONCE AGAIN BEEN LIGHTING UP THE MATHLETICS WORLD.

Marion Freeman's 8N Class made it to 8th in the UK and 13th in the world after gaining a large number of points through class lessons and the online learning provider's games.

Mrs Freeman said: "Mathletics is great for the students. Because of its online nature it requires quick reaction and thinking from the students and so they learn while they play."

STUDYING AT CBA **SIXTH FORM**

**“CBA puts the ladder there;
it’s up to us to climb it”**
- CBA Sixth Form Student



DESTINATIONS OF OUR SIXTH FORM STUDENTS IN 2011

In August our students achieved their best ever set of results at A Level and BTEC.

This was testament to the hard work of our Sixth Form students and the high standard of teaching and support offered by our staff.

As well as some outstanding A Level results, students also excelled in vocational subjects. Success in the Academy’s business specialism included 75% of students achieving a distinction (equivalent to an A at A Level) in BTEC Business.

This success has meant that many of our students have been able to realise their ambitions of going on to university.

Mirko Bilic realised his dream of going to a Russell Group University and is now studying Business Management at Birmingham University. Joe Mills is now studying Maths at Nottingham Trent. Leah Haggart is reading Educational Studies at Bedford University. Our former Head Boy, Chris Usher, is reading Advertising and Marketing at Lincoln University and Niall Spence is studying at Manchester Metropolitan reading Public Services. Many students have also decided to go out into the world of work. Apprenticeships in sectors such as Construction, Plumbing and Confectionary have been won by our students.

Dr Andrew Campbell, Deputy Executive Principal of the Brooke Weston Partnership, said: “Our 2011 results are testament to the hard work and determination of students and their teachers. CBA is a school that has high expectations of its students and our first ever cohort of Sixth Formers have performed superbly.”

CORBY BUSINESS ACADEMY SIXTH FORM: **THE VIEWS OF A STUDENT**

Gabriella Tarrant is now reading Chemistry at Sussex University after achieving A and B grades at A level Chemistry and Biology and a Distinction grade in BTEC Business. To help support her with her Science ambitions Gabriella was also given a job within the CBA lab department after study hours had finished. This gave her a further insight into the Science world as well as acquiring workplace skills. Gabriella hopes to go on to have a research career.

How did you find studying at CBA Sixth Form?

It was of course hard work, but at CBA you are really supported in doing everything to the best of your abilities.

How did you find the teaching style?

The teaching was of a great standard and staff members were only too happy to help with any questions either face to face or by email. There was also individual tuition available after school during the Session 4 period, which really helped. Nothing was ever too much trouble.

How did your work as a lab technician help with your studies?

Helping out the lab technicians was a great opportunity and one which I really enjoyed. As well as finding out more about the science side of the Academy the job also helped me get organised and knuckle down as I had to prioritise my time. I also learned some valuable skills that will help me in the world of work, such as timekeeping, responsibility and the importance of health and safety.

What guidance were you given from staff for your future career?

A lot of the science teaching staff were extremely helpful in giving me information about certain companies and it really helped me to find out more about the different sides of the industry.

I was also able to link up my study subjects as I chose a science company to research as part of my BTEC Business course.

What was life like at CBA Sixth Form?

It was a really friendly and relaxed place to be and everybody got along with each other. The social side was also good. We worked hard but found time to enjoy ourselves.

STUDENTS PROMOTE OUR SIXTH FORM TO THEIR PEERS

High levels of support and a sense of community were the messages given about our Sixth Form at a local Further Education fair.

Headgirl Alice Hill and fellow Sixth Form student Fraser Gillan attended the event at Catmose College in Rutland during Term 1.

Alice said: "I moved to the Sixth Form as a new student and I have never looked back.

"The fact that after an interview process I was selected to be Headgirl, shows just how receptive the Academy is to new students and how welcoming everybody is."



THIS YEAR'S UCAS APPLICATIONS

It has been an exciting term for our Year 13 students as they have been deciding on their university destinations and submitting their UCAS applications.

They have been undertaking new experiences (see article below) to help enhance their application opportunities and provide additional support for their personal statements. Following talks, advice and university visits in Year 12, students have selected their preferred choices. Student Janice Tsigas has already been invited for interview at The University of Buckingham, where

she has applied to study Childcare Nursing. She said: "It is really exciting as I applied and two days later received notification of an interview. I will now work with the Sixth Form teaching staff to prepare myself."

Head of Sixth Form, Avril Bartley Smith said: "We have given each student one-to-one support with their application and have helped them with deciding which courses may be suitable."

A number of students will be attending the Ernst & Young Seminar in Birmingham about its Accountancy trainee schemes.

IN-HOUSE EXPERIENCE TO ENHANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Sixth Form students have been working hard this term at the peer mentoring scheme. As part of the scheme students are assigned to tutor groups from Year 7 to 11 and offer support where necessary to tutors.

Duties may include activities such as helping with assemblies, listening to younger students read and helping with tutor time projects.

Sixth Form student Julia Marques Pike said: "I find the Peer Mentoring enjoyable and it is nice to be able to build up an understanding with the younger students. Wherever needed we are happy to listen and help."

Head of Sixth Form Avril Bartley Smith said: "The Peer Mentoring scheme is really valuable as the students have obviously been in the position of the younger students and so can impart their knowledge where necessary."

Sixth Form students have acted as Tour Guides this term – gaining some practical evidence for their studies. The BTEC Health and Social Care, BTEC Hospitality and Travel and Tourism students played a huge role in our Open Week events.

They showed families around and gave their expert knowledge on life at CBA. Sixth Form

Student Catherine Grant said:

"It was really good to be involved and we learnt how to speak to people on a professional level and how to adapt your manner to different situations.



OPEN EVENING...

We will be holding an open evening on Tuesday, November 29th from 5-7pm to give prospective students the opportunity to find out more about our Sixth Form. Year 11 students from Corby and the surrounding towns and villages will be welcome to visit to discover the courses on offer.

For further information please contact Vice Principal Avril Bartley-Smith.

BUSINESS, HUMANITIES & ENTERPRISE (BHE)

PUTTING ON CHAMBERLAIN'S HAT

History was brought to life, as students took on the character of a big political hitter in World War II.

The group of GCSE students had big shoes to fill when they donned a bowler hat and moustache and transformed into wartime Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain. The students were tasked with looking at the factors that led to the Second World War and considering whether they would have taken the same decisions as our political leaders.

Danny Draper said: "Acting out the situation really did help make it seem real and we all really enjoyed it."



GCSE students Kit Panther, Danny Draper and Oskar Farley-McFadyen



Alison Birch, resourcing consultant at RS Components, visits CBA to mentor students

APPEAL TO BUSINESSES

We are looking for more local businesses to come forward and create working partnerships with ourselves.

Being a specialist Business Academy we are always keen to build relationships with Northamptonshire companies and we are currently seeking businesses to supplement our existing relationships.

Businesses could offer mentoring and work shadowing opportunities and our students could work on real-life projects within a business.

CBA Governor John Hill, who, until recently, was Co-Chair of Corby Business Group

said: "Business is something that can be truly rewarding and we want to make sure that CBA students are given the key skills needed to succeed in this environment.

"By linking with local companies not only will CBA benefit but those businesses will also ensure a good supply of appropriately prepared youngsters as vacancies arise"

Any businesses that are interested in working with us can contact Avril Bartley-Smith at Abartleysmith@corbybusinessacademy.org or by calling our reception.

NEW BUSINESS GCSE COURSE INTRODUCED

The GCSE Applied Business course is designed to encourage students to consider the practical application of business and give them the opportunity to explore the theories and concepts in the context of real life events.

Laid out in a modular formula students will study the following topics: setting up a Business; People in Business; Business Marketing and Customer Needs and Business Finance.

The course very much welcomes guest speakers from across the commercial sector to help give students an insight into the world of business. If parents/carers are in a managerial position where you think your knowledge of business would be of value to CBA students and can spare some time please contact: Alexandra Allan, Business Studies Teacher via email aallan@corbybusinessacademy.org



HISTORY TRIP TO HOLLAND

A History Trip for Year 8 and Year 9 students to the Netherlands has been organised.

The three-day trip will take place during February holiday (from 12th to 14th) and will include a visit to The Anne Frank house in Amsterdam as well as a visit to the Portuguese Synagogue, a half day walking tour of Amsterdam, ten pin bowling and a canal cruise.

The cost is £420 and to book please bring in a form (available in the letters section of our website) along with a first payment of £60 to Miss Stacey or Miss Farrar.

LIBRARY

ROALD DAHL EXTRAVAGANZA

Students attending Corby Book Addicts had a scrumdillyumptious time during Term 1 when they celebrated Roald Dahl day. Years after his death Roald Dahl remains a firm favourite on our top borrowers lists and Roald Dahl Day is celebrated worldwide on his birthday every year. Celebrations started with a raucous game of toilet-paper-tennis, which resulted in much hilarity with students and the Library looking like victims of a flash snowstorm. We were then treated to a special delivery from

Willy Wonka himself – a GIANT bar of chocolate containing all-manner of sweet treats, which students were challenged to eat with a knife and fork whilst wearing a hat, scarf, ear muffs and gloves. Some Corby Book Addicts members dressed up for the event as characters from Roald Dahl's books, including Miss Honey, Matilda, the High Priestess Witch and Fantastic Mr Fox. Corby Book Addicts is held every Thursday during Session 4 in the Library.



STAFF AND STUDENT PASS LIBRARY EXAMS

A Former Sixth Form student and our Library Assistant are celebrating after passing their exams. After many months of hard work, Christina Mangin and Bernie Smith have found out they passed the NVQ Level 3 in Information and Library Services with flying colours. Librarian Amy McKay, who is now preparing for her role as a Carnegie judge, said: "Bernie and Christina have both worked really hard to complete their NVQs in such a short time, I've been really impressed by both of them and the Library definitely benefits from their hard work and enthusiasm."

GAMES FOR NATIONAL POETRY DAY

Timed Tongue Twisters was the challenge given to Corby Business Academy students to mark National Poetry Day.

Students raced against the library clock to try and speak the alliterative rhymes as fast as they could, with a prize for the winner.

Miss McKay said: "National Poetry Day is a lovely opportunity to give students the chance to experience the humour and fun poetry can bring." To mark National Poetry Day poet Laureate Carol Ann Duffy will be holding court at the Big Tent on Wimbledon Common and reading poems from her new collection The Bees.



LEGO CLUB

A Lego Club will start in Term 2 in the Library. Run by Sixth Form student Michael Keogh, the club will be open to all students. Planned projects include a giant Taj Mahal and a replica of Hogwarts castle. The Club will run on a Monday or Tuesday depending on student feedback to MKeogh@corbybusinessacademy.org

EXTREME READING

Year 7 students received a very special item of mail at the start of the summer holidays – a postcard from the Library inviting them to take part in a reading competition. They were challenged to send in photos of themselves reading in extreme locations. The level of daring and imagination was really impressive – with students reading on roofs, fairground rides, whilst flying a plane, doing handstands and even riding a bike!



Em Russell



Evie Berry



Hannah Eden

ACADEMY NEWS



HEADING OFF TO UGANDA

The team going on our annual visit to Uganda will this year be taking thousands of pounds with them to buy books to stock the school shelves.

Students at the Discovery Centre in Uganda will be given a huge boost with their studies thanks to the efforts of the CBA community, who at the time of In Press going to print had managed to raise just under £2,000.

Librarian Amy McKay and Sixth Form students Chrissie Moore and Sophie Allen are headed to Uganda on October 26th to take part in a Sixth Form conference.

After hearing about the lack of resources at the centre the trio decided they wanted to help and so have organised a series of fundraising events to get together the cash.

Amy said: "As always everybody has been so generous and we are really grateful.

"These books will make a huge difference to the Ugandan students and really help enhance their learning and improve their future."

The centre is a residential resource which was set up in 1994 in response to the AIDS situation in the country. This will be the third made by a CBA cohort.

Details of their visit will be shown in assembly and pictures will be available on our website.

STUDENTS WIN PRIZE

Students in our UNIT were busy this term preparing their entries for a local scarecrow Convention.

Three scarecrows were entered in the Wren Spinney School's 7th Annual Convention, with the Sixth Form group creating a Scary Clown, Nikki Clark's class designed and made 'Wally' and Miss Hanlon's Class built 'Wish Fairy'.

Students Ellie Smith and Chloe Critchley represented the school at the convention held on October 14th and returned proud after 'Wish Fairy' took first place in the community section.



Alain Stubbs



Norman Robinson



Andy Shilcock



FAREWELL TO MUCH VALUED STAFF MEMBERS AND WELCOME TO NEW

Our site services team has bid a fond farewell to colleagues and welcomed some new members.

Premises and Services Director Alain Stubbs, Site Supervisor Norman Robinson and Groundsman Andy Shilcock have said goodbye this term and we have welcomed Alain's replacement, Building Manager Barry Gibb.

Alain had been in the role since before the Academy opened – overseeing the construction staff during the build – and Norman joined CBA from our predecessor school, where he had worked for more than 20 years.

Alain joined CBA after a long career in the Army, where he served in the Middle East and Northern Ireland.

After making it to the rank of Sergeant Major, he decided it was time for a career change and after training young people in the army, thought he would like to work within a school environment.

He said: "I have thoroughly enjoyed my time at CBA, gained so much experience and worked with some great people.

"I want to thank all the staff in my department who joined from the predecessor school as they were very welcoming and have always worked extremely hard to make sure CBA is kept in top condition.

"Special thanks to Norman who enabled me to do my job effectively."

Norman decided to retire after reaching his 65th birthday.

He said: "I have enjoyed all my years at the school and have worked with some great people who I will be keeping in touch with."

Norman intends to spend his retirement doing some gardening, decorating and walking his dog.

Andy, who has worked at CBA for three years is leaving to work in a school that is nearer to his home in Leicester.

He said: "I have really enjoyed my time at CBA and have especially enjoyed my work with the staff and students in the UNIT."

Barry joins CBA from our sister academy Brooke Weston, where he worked for 19 years.

He said: "I was ready for a new challenge and so I am delighted to have started here at CBA.

"I have found it a really relaxed, friendly and welcoming place."



Barry Gibb

ACADEMY NEWS

GIFTED AND TALENTED ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME LAUNCHED

A new enrichment programme was launched this term to support our Gifted and Talented students to fulfil their potential.

Students attended a workshop on Saturday, October 15th where they experienced an "Apprentice" style project.

After being divided into teams they were tasked with designing a T-shirt to be sold in a national fashion store, having to design, produce, market and cost the products. The students then presented their product to staff and parents who were invited along to hear more about the Gifted and Talented programme as well as receive strategies on how to help assist their child's learning.

Assistant Vice Principal for Aspiration Kirsty Farrar, who is in charge of the programme, said: "The point of these workshops is to enrich students' learning, and to help them realise that learning does not just take part in the classroom.

"As well as the additional weekend workshops they will invited to take part in other programmes that will stretch them and teach them transferable skills.

Year 9 student William Bell said: "Overall, my biggest achievement from the day was learning how to become a Leader; using the right techniques to control my team, and encourage them and myself to perform to the best of their ability."

Other Gifted and Talented workshops will take place on Saturday, February 4th and on Saturday, April 28th.



INSIGHT INTO INDUSTRY

Students were able to explore the scope and breadth of one of the county's flagship industry's when they attended a careers fair at Rockingham Motor Speedway.

Organised by the Enterprise Education Foundation, the Big Industry – Big Opportunity event gave young people aged 14 to 25, invaluable information about all aspects of the industry, with experts on hand to give advice and the benefit of their experience.

Thomas Jeffery, who wants to be a World Rally mechanic said:

"It was fun as I had the opportunity to get advice from the mechanics who were there about how to advance my career and the way to get spotted. Sixth Form students Ksenija Nazarova, Szymon Szeliga, Lily Taitia and headgirl Alice Hill also volunteered at the event.



Rockingham



DOWN AT THE RIVERBANK

Students from our UNIT provision joined students from neighbouring schools in casting their rods in search of fish.

Seven students visited Ringstead Island Fishery on September 28th and basked in the glorious sunshine while getting down to the serious business of fishing. Acting Principal John Henrys made a visit to the riverbank and saw our students in action. At the end of the day all were given certificates for participation and three students were also given medals.

Jordan Andrew was awarded the Best Fisherman accolade, Matty Cluff caught the biggest fish (a carp weighing in at around 2.5kilo) and Tammy Rennie caught the most fish, plucking nine out of the water.

The day was run by The Masonic Fishing Charity, whose aim is to bring an interactive fishing and countryside experience to people with Special Needs.



CBA STUDENTS GO TO THE POLLS

As In Press went to print our Academy was gripped with election fever. Students were vying to take their place as Form Representatives, as each year group headed to the polls to vote for the students they deemed would best represent their collective interests. There were discussions during tutor time throughout the final week of term and students were given the opportunity to put themselves forward as candidates.

After assembling a campaign team and putting forward their manifesto, a vote took place on Friday (October 21st) and one boy and one girl from each Form group was chosen. The week culminated in a mass event where the elected Form Representatives gathered in the Mall to sign their student declaration.

The students who were voted in as Form Representatives will now have the opportunity to sit on our Student Senate and participate in the running of our Academy.

Assistant Vice Principal Kirsty Farrar, said: "Every student had the opportunity to put themselves forward to represent the interests of their Form and just like any election it was a truly democratic process.

"Being a Form Representative is a great way of getting involved in the running of the school, as the management team do take on board all comments raised within the student forums."

SESSION 4

MIXING BUSINESS AND PLEASURE

Culinary minded students are using Session 4 to indulge their passion for food and commerce.

The Food Enterprise Club was launched at the start of this academic year and students have been making a variety of recipes and then selling them on to staff and students. Design Director Cath Davis, who is running the club said: "Students have been making two of everything and so have been able to

take one home and then sell one on.

"The idea is to teach them about cooking, while also introducing them to the commercial enterprise side of it. From selling our produce we will also look towards designing and producing some packaging." The students will be making Fruit Christmas cakes to purchase towards the end of Term 2. Thursdays Session 4 in AL7.



NEW SESSION 4 CLUB HITS THE SPOT

Students looking for a new sport to take aim at were invited along to the CBA Archery club.

The new club is being run by teacher Phil Woolley and funding received from Corby Borough Council has meant that the sports hall cupboard is fully stocked with all the equipment.

Mr Woolley, who is a qualified archery coach, said: "It is a great sport for students looking for something a little bit different. It will also appeal to those students who don't enjoy the athletic side of sport."

And for those who discover a talent for archery and want to compete, there are likely to be some inter school matches.

A new archery club has also been founded in Corby and so anyone who develops a passion for the sport will have the opportunity to join.



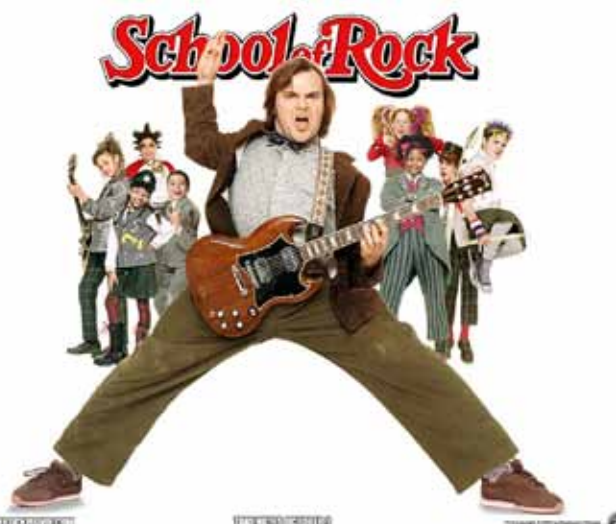
CALL TO DANCE FOR YEAR 7 STUDENTS

Year 7 students were invited to put on their dancing shoes and join a Session 4 club. Our new students were given the opportunity to become part of the CBA Dance crew and take part in the many staged events that will happen throughout the coming Academic year.

Students of all abilities were welcomed to attend the Session 4 club and the invitation was opened to those who have not tried Dance before.

Teacher Daryl Handy said: "We have a really strong dance scene here at CBA and so we are inviting Year 7 students to become part of that tradition. "Every member of the dance group will also have the opportunity to take part in the Dance shows and perform before other students, staff and parents." Since CBA began, Dance has been a very popular extracurricular pursuit for many CBA students and this year an Elite Junior and Elite Senior company will be created.

The new boys club run by Luke Riley will run on Mondays on Session 4.



THE OPENING CREDITS OF THE CBA FILM CLUB HAVE STARTED ROLLING

Students were invited to take a seat in the small lecture theatre for the screening of the Jack Black classic School of Rock (PG) for the first screening on September 22nd. And this year the club will be part of the Children's University so students can amass credits while watching their favourite films. In a change to the format there will be a screening on alternate Thursdays with a review writing session taking place on the day when a film is not showing.

Teacher Louise Cory who is running the club said: "Students should join Film Club as a way of seeing films they might not have considered watching before.

"It is also a great way for students, who might not normally hang out together, to meet with others whom have a shared enthusiasm for films."

The first few films had school theme. The Diary of a Wimpy Kid (PG) and the Oscar winning The Social Network (12) were popular choices.

Please note that parental consent is compulsory for all students under the age of 15.

CORBY BUSINESS ACADEMY – SESSION 4 ACTIVITIES

DAY	FACULTY ACTIVITY	LOCATION	TIME	STAFF
MONDAY				
AMID	Senior Brass Ensemble	AU2	3.30 - 4.30	Garry Fountain
AMID	CBA Vocalize (CU)	AU6	3.30 - 4.30	Felicity Cornish
AMID	Senior Choir (every other week)	Theatre	3.30 - 4.30	Clive Wears
AMID	GCSE Textiles	AMID	3.45 - 4.45	Sam Fynan
BHE	AS Level Polish	BHE	3.45 - 5.45	Karen Turney
PNS	Year 8 Dance Club (CU)	Dance Studio	3.45 - 5.30	Francia Dickinson
PNS	Girls Netball Club (CU)	Netball Courts	3.45 - 5.30	Amy Harris
PNS	Boys Dance Club (CU)	Sports Hall	3.45 - 4.45	Luke Reily
PNS	Girls Football Club (CU)	Astro	3.45 - 4.45	Natasha Dunstone
COMMS	EAL Sessions	COMMS	3.45 - 5.00	Sue Holmes
COMMS	Drama Club (CU)	Drama Studio	3.45 - 4.45	Vicky Clements
LIBRARY	OPEN	LIBRARY	To - 5.30	Amy McKay
TUESDAY				
AMID	Junior Concert Band	AU6	3.30 - 4.30	Clive Wears
AMID	Senior Woodwind	AU2	3.30 - 4.30	Pam Carter
AMID	KS3 Textile/Craft Club	AU11	3.45 - 4.45	Sam Fynan/Ena Fry
AMID	KS4 Art & Design Catch Up	AMID	4.00 - 5.00	Dave Mitchell
AMID	KS4 Health & Social Care/Hospitality	AL7	3.45 - 4.45	Cath Davis
AMID	Skills Making Activity (Years 9 & 10)	AMID	3.30 - 5.30	John Barr
INCLUSION	Kitchen Garden Club (open to all)	UNIT Garden	3.45 - 5.00	Nikki Clark
PNS	AS Physics / AS Biology	PNS	3.45 - 5.00	Elaine Ponton/Zoe Bird
PNS	Junior Dance Company	Dance Studio	3.45 - 5.45	Christie Moore
PNS	Key Stage 4 and 5 Basketball Club (CU)	Sports Hall	3.45 - 5.30	James Aston
PNS	Science Club "Hogwarts"	PNS	4.00 - 5.00	Sarah Dankmeyer
PNS	Senior Dance Company (CU)	Theatre	3.45 - 5.30	Francia Dickinson
PNS	Year 7 Boys Football Club (CU)	Astro	3.45 - 4.45	Will Gourlay
PNS	Year 9 Boys Football Club (CU)	Astro	3.45 - 4.45	Stuart Baker
PNS	Year 8 Boys Football Club (CU)	Astro	3.45 - 5.30	Phill Woolley
MAIT	Web Design (open to all)	ML6	4:00-5:00	Karl Lomax
MAIT	Year 13 ICT Coursework Catch Up	ML7	3.30 - 5.45	Kam Zaman
MAIT	Target Group Maths	MAIT	3.30 - 4.30	MAIT - Staff
MAIT	KS3 Maths Puzzle Club	MAIT	3.30 - 4.30	Marion Freeman
MAIT	Further Maths AS	MAIT	3.45 - 4.45	Peter Garrat
MAIT	Special Maths (G&T) KS3	MAIT	3.45 - 4.45	Maxwell Sam
BHE	GCSE History	BHE	3.45 - 4.45	Kirsty Farrar
BHE	History Homework Club	BU5	3.45 - 5.00	Sam Stacey
BHE	Business Studies Coursework Catch Up	BHE	3.45 - 5.00	Alex Allen
LIBRARY	OPEN	LIBRARY	To - 5.30	Amy McKay
WEDNESDAY				
AMID	String Ensemble (CU)	AU2	3.45 - 4.30	Felicity Cornish
AMID	Senior Jazz Band	AU6	4.00 - 4.45	Clive Wears
PNS	Year 7 Dance Club (CU)	Dance Studio	3.15 - 5.30	Daryl Handy
PNS	Key Stage 3 Basketball Club(CU)	Sports Hall	3.15 - 4.45	James Aston
PNS	All Years Girls Cricket Club (CU)	Astro	3.15 - 4.45	Jordon Joseph
LIBRARY	Manga Mania (CU) – KS3	Library	3.15 - 4.45	Amy McKay
LIBRARY	OPEN	LIBRARY	To - 5.30	Amy McKay
THURSDAY				
AMID	Senior Concert Band	AU6	3.30 - 4.45	Clive Wears
AMID	KS3 Electronics Club	AMID	4.00 - 5.00	Dave Mitchell
AMID	KS4 Catch-up Sessions	AL8	3.45 - 5.00	Jackie Brown
AMID	KS3/4/5 Art Club	AU1	3.45 - 5.00	Elizabeth Hopkins
AMID	KS3 DT Homework Club	AU12	3.45 - 5.00	Ena Fry
AMID	Food Enterprise Club	AL7	3.45 - 4.45	Cath Davis
AMID	GCSE Music Support Session	AU2	3.30 - 5.00	Felicity Cornish
COMMS	Film Club (every other week)	Small Lecture Theatre	3.45 - 5.45	Louise Cory
COMMS	GCSE Media Studies Year 11	CL4	3.45 - 5.00	Claire Howsam
MAIT	Year 11 ICT Coursework Catch Up	ML7	3.45 - 5.00	Karl Lomax/Karen Owens
MAIT	Year 13 ICT Coursework Catch Up	ML7	3.30 - 5.45	Kam Zaman
MAIT	Year 12/13 Maths module revision and support	MAIT	3.45 - 5.00	Sam Anderson
MAIT	Further Maths AS	MAIT	3.45 - 4.45	Peter Garrat
MAIT	Assembling of Computers/Laptops	MAIT	3.45 - 4.45	Maxwell Sam
PNS	Animal/Garden Club/Winter months Astronomy - alternate weeks - all years (CU)	PL4	4.00 - 5.00	Neil Price
PNS	Boys Cricket Club (CU)	Sports Hall	3.45 - 4.45	Jordon Joseph
PNS	All Years Trampoline Club (CU)	Sports Hall	3.45 - 4.45	Natasha Dunstone
PNS	All Years Archery Club	Sports Hall	3.45 - 4.45	Phill Woolley
BHE	German Club (CU)	BU1	3.45 - 4.45	Karen Mayes
BHE	GCSE French / Spanish Support Sessions	BU3	3.45 - 4.45	Karen Turney/ Candie Boni
BHE	Mystery History Club (CU)	BHE	3.45 - 4.45	Sam Stacey
BHE	Travel & Tourism KS4 Catch Up	BHE	3.30 - 5.45	Helen Featherstone / Peter May
BHE	Business Studies Coursework Catch Up	BHE	3.45 - 4.45	Alex Allen
BHE	AS Level Polish	BHE	3.45 - 5.45	Karen Turney
BHE	Geography Club	BHE	3.30 - 4.45	Nigel Holt
BHE	Elite Company	BHE	3.45 - 5.00	Tony Segalini
LIBRARY	Corby Book Addicts	LIBRARY	3.45 - 5.00	Amy McKay
LIBRARY	OPEN	LIBRARY	To - 5.30	Amy McKay
FRIDAY For all students school closes at 3.30pm				
LIBRARY	OPEN	LIBRARY	To - 4.00	Amy McKay

* Judo there is a cost incurred for this activity.

Parents/Carer(s) please note the above CBA After School Activity Timetables for the relevant Faculties. The late buses are available Monday Tuesday and Thursday at 5.45pm and on a Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday at 5.00pm. If your child wishes to attend any of the activities above or requires the late bus please ensure they book a place at Student Reception. NO LATE BUSES FRIDAY

Students will be informed if any clubs are cancelled at short notice, via internal screens and email. Parents/carers will be informed via the bulletin board on the website.



CYCLISTS CROSS THE CHANNEL TO SUPPORT CBA

Our DSP Unit has received a cash boost thanks to the strenuous efforts of staff from a local company.

Seven staff from nearby Roquette UK took on a 280 mile sponsored cycle this summer and today Acting Principal John Henry's gratefully received a cheque for £4,000. The funds will go towards buying a wheelchair lift for the UNIT provision and some new display boards.

Mr Henry's said: "We are hugely privileged to be the recipients of this fundraiser and we do congratulate all the Roquette team on what they accomplished.

"We have invited the team to join us at CBA to look around the UNIT unit when the new lift is installed so they can see what their hard efforts have achieved."

The Roquette UK staff team – which included CBA parent Ken Pratt – joined with some colleagues from Roquette France to cycle from the headquarters in Lille to the Corby base in Sallow Road.

They spent two and a half days on the road, cycling up to 100 miles a day. It was a tremendous effort for the staff, as some of them were relative cycling novices.

Martin Tatlock, one of the organisers said: "We would like to thank all the people who supported us, especially the Corby businesses who rallied around with sponsorship.

"In particular we would like to thank the management of Roquette UK who gave their generous support to make this trip possible."

This was the first fundraiser of this nature the Roquette UK team have undertaken and they are already thinking of what they can do in 2012. As well as a donation to CBA, £2,258 was given to Cransley Hospice and funds were also donated to the British Heart Foundation.

ACADEMY CATERING

This year we have taken our catering in house and the new menus and meals being served by our staff have gone down a storm. Manager Chris Lapsley said he has not had one complaint about the food being served in our restaurant and has had a lot of positive feedback. The meals on offer are being created using produce sourced as locally as possible. There is an eight week rotation menu plan, with favourite meals being kept, while those less popular being taken adapted or taken off the menu all together.

Chris Lapsley is also looking forward to working with the restaurant sub committee of the Senate who will be making menu suggestions throughout the year.



BROOKE WESTON PARTNERSHIP GOES FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH

Recognition of individual excellence, as well as continued partnership success was the theme of a special reception held for staff from the Brooke Weston Partnership's three academies. Staff from Brooke Weston, Corby Business Academy and Kettering Science Academy gathered at CBA on Monday, September 5th to celebrate the successes of the last academic year and look forward to this year's new challenges. Executive Principal Sir Peter Simpson welcomed new staff and congratulated existing staff for their efforts in the previous academic year. Sir Peter said: "We always want to do better. We always want to do something a bit different. We are ambitious and we are aspirational. Too many young people can't see their way clear and it is our job to show them what can be possible."

Brooke Weston
Partnership 



"listening to your views"

We hope you have enjoyed this issue of In Press. We are always keen to hear the views of parents/carers. We are also looking for new Parents in Partnership members and parents can also become involved in our Forum meetings, where they can suggest ideas to improve the services that the Academy provides and also help us evaluate our current policies.

The next meeting is being held on Wednesday, December 7th at 6pm.

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