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

CORBY BUSINESS ACADEMY RATED 'GOOD' BY OFSTED INSPECTORS

Corby Business Academy has been rated 'Good' following our recent Ofsted inspection.

Inspectors visited on October 11 and 12 and have just published a report of their findings.

The Academy was rated at Good (Level 2) for

overall effectiveness and received Good (Level 2) ratings across the board in the four areas inspectors look at – achievement of students, quality of teaching, behaviour and safety of students and leadership and management.

The team of inspectors found 84% of lessons to be good or better, stating that it was clear that teachers had "high expectations" of students.

The inspection found that students "enjoy being at the Academy", their attendance is "above average" and they "behave well in and out of lessons."

Principal John Henrys said: "The very pleasing outcome of the Ofsted inspection is as a result of the hard work that's gone in since the Academy opened. The foundations laid by Dr Andrew Campbell in the first two years of the Academy's life have allowed us to rapidly improve attainment and progress of students. "During the inspection students were clearly very proud of the Academy and worked hard to ensure the inspectors got the best representation of what Corby Business Academy has to offer."

The report also praised our Sixth Form. Read more about it by turning to our special report on pages 10 and 11.



# FROM THE EDITOR

Welcome to our latest edition of In Press, which celebrates the recent personal and academic achievements of our students. As these 20 pages will show you, it has been a busy term at Corby Business Academy, including our visit from Ofsted. You can read all about what the inspectors thought in our special report on pages 10 and 11.

Our new Senate members have been getting to work after being elected this term – meet them, and our new Head Boy and Head Girl, by turning to page 13.

Our Parents in Partnership have also been very busy this term – you can see more about their latest work on page 20.

This term has also included our annual trip to Uganda for the conference at the Discovery Centre. This is the fourth year a group from CBA has travelled to Uganda to take part in the event. Read more about it on page 8.

We hope you enjoy reading this issue and I'm sure you will join us in feeling extremely proud of our students' efforts and achievements so far this year.

### Kirsty Farrar

Senior Assistant Principal



Corby Business Academy

# LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It is a huge achievement for everyone involved in the life of our Academy that we have reached this milestone.

#### Dear Parent/Carer

It feels longer than eight weeks ago that the summer holiday ended and Term 1 began. A lot can change over eight weeks and it certainly has changed for us all here at the Business Academy.

The summer saw our Year 11 students and our Sixth Form students achieve the best set of results since the Academy opened and really set the scene for a great start to the new academic year. This was a real tribute to all the hard work and commitment shown by students, parents and staff throughout last year. The year then started in September, at a pace, and students have responded incredibly well to the expectations and pressures placed upon them.

The key moment of the term arrived when we had the phone call from Ofsted informing us that they would be in school the next day for a two day inspection. Over those two days students and staff made sure that the inspectors saw the best of what the Academy has to offer, resulting in us improving our overall grade from the last inspection from 'satisfactory' to 'good'. It is a huge achievement for everyone involved in the life of our Academy that we have reached this milestone. It is also important for us to now set our sights on becoming an 'outstanding' Academy by our next inspection.

As I walk around the Academy throughout the week I see a huge number of exciting things taking place. Students are enthusiastic about life in the Academy and engaged in creative tasks during lessons. This was epitomised by our enterprise day where I saw students creating animations; being part of a human conveyor belt; building earthquake-proof buildings and then performing the rock song "Eye of the Tiger" on ukuleles!

I am very proud to be part of the fast paced world of the Business Academy and I am sure that with continued parental support our students will achieve a great set of results this year. I wish our Year 11 students the best of luck in the forthcoming examinations in November and I am sure they will live up to the high expectations we have placed upon them.

John Henrys, Principal





### MEET OUR NEW SENATE, HEAD BOY AND HEAD GIRL

Student democracy has been in action at CBA this term, with students going to the polls to elect their form representatives. From these representatives our Academy Senate has been chosen, and our new Head Boy and Head Girl have also been chosen following interviews. Read more about this on Page 9.

#### **Corby Business Academy**

### **Dates**

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

2012 TERM 2			
Friday Oct 26th	The Big Adventure Event Year 12 (4 days)		
Tuesday Oct 30th	Uganda Trip – Sixth Form (7 days)		
Monday Nov 5th	Start of Term 2		
Tuesday Nov 20th	Year 8 Parents Evening 3.45pm - 5pm		
Wednesday Nov 21st	Year 8 Parents Evening 3.30pm – 6pm		
Thursday Nov 22nd	Year 8 Parents Evening 3.45pm - 5pm		
Monday Dec 3rd	Parents in Partnership Meeting – 6pm		
Tuesday Dec 4th	Year 11 Parents Evening 3.45pm – 5pm		
Wednesday Dec 5th	Year 11 Parents Evening 3.30pm - 6pm		
Thursday Dec 6th	Year 11 Parents Evening 3.45pm – 5pm		
Thursday Dec 13th	Parents Consultation Group – 6pm		
Friday Dec 21st	End of Term 2		
2013 TERM 3			
Friday Jan 4th	Training Day		
Monday Jan 7th	Open to all Students and Staff		

### **EXAMS DATES**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012				
9am to 10.45am	GCSE Mathematics 1 (non-calculator)			
9am to 10.45am	GCSE Mathematics 1 (non-calculator)			
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2012				
1.30pm to 2.45pm	GCSE Mathematics B Modular (non-calculator)			
1.30pm to 2.45pm	GCSE Mathematics B Modular (non-calculator)			
1.30pm to 3.15pm	GCSE Mathematics 2 (calculator)			
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## **CBA GOES GLOBAL FOR** WEEK OF LANGUAGES

Staff and students took part in various activities for our Week of Languages. In the restaurant menus were displayed in French, Spanish and German, a

languages guiz was run in the library, there were language assemblies and several competitions were run.

IMPORTANT

NFORMATION

Read more about it on Page 16.







### CONTACT DETAILS

If any student's contact details change name, address, telephone number or email - can parents please inform their child's PSO or contact Reception.

### ABSENCE

Remember, if your child is absent from the Academy please ring before 8.30am. Call 01536 303120 or Text 07624 819425.

You should not take your child on holiday **in term time –** it can be disruptive both to your child's learning and to the school. Corby Business Academy will only consider holidays in term time where both:

- the application is made to the Principal in advance of the holiday by a parent the child normally lives with
- there are special reasons for needing to take the holiday which should be explained in a letter to the Principal

Applications should be made as far in advance of the holiday as possible and it is advisable that you speak to CBA before you book. The Academy will judge each holiday request individually, taking into consideration:

- the time of year for the proposed trip
- if it's close to any exam dates
- your child's overall attendance record
- any holidays already taken in the school year
- the age and stage of education of your child
- the ability of your child to catch up the work that they have missed
- the reason for you requesting time off during

Even if an absence for holiday is authorised due to exceptional circumstances, this still counts as an absence on the student's record and will affect their attendance.

### **MATHEMATICS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (MAIT)**

# UNIVERSITY CLASSES FOR THREE OF OUR STUDENTS

Three CBA students took special maths and science classes at several universities during the summer.

Year 10 student Andreas Milan and Year 11 student Jessica Dick took part in maths sessions at Nottingham and Loughborough Universities.

Jessica and Year 11 student Katherine Qualey also spent three days each at two of the country's top universities as part of the prestigious Salters Institute residential programme.

Jessica visited the University of York and Katherine spent time at Cambridge University. Jessica and Katherine both took chemistry classes and stayed in the Halls of Residence.

Andreas said: "I learnt many things, it was definitely worth going. I would definitely do it again."

Katherine said: "It was amazing. We did a variety of different experiments and we got to experience student life there. We did lots of group activities, made new friends and had tours around the area.

"I met a lot of people I am still in contact with. I really enjoyed the chemistry and university life.

"I definitely want to go to university, and maybe do chemistry, one day." Jessica said she enjoyed the visits and was looking forward to going to university.





### PHYSICAL & NATURAL SCIENCES (PNS)



# STUDENTS MAKE MODELS TO SHOW UNDERSTANDING OF ATOMIC STRUCTURES

Year 11 students showed their understanding of atomic structures by making models of them from play dough.

The students have just started the second year of their OCR Nationals course.

Vice Principal Lorraine Smith said: "The students made models of atomic structures

to demonstrate their understanding of them. This links in with later work they will do about how the structure of atoms helps them bind together and make different substances.

"They have also to do proper risk assessments for all of their experiments as if they were in a commercial or industrial lab."

"This is the start of Unit 2 and they have made a good start to it."

### STUDENTS' MODELS OF THE PLANETS ON SHOW

Models of the planets made by Year 8 students are being shown off in the PNS Faculty.

The students' planets are being hung between the two sides of the walkway in the upper level of the Faculty.

Teacher Jeanette Power said: "The idea was

to show the planets and their position in the solar system so students can see which planets are closest to the sun.

"The only object in the display which is not to scale is the sun. The Year 8s were proud when it was all finished."



### **COMMUNICATIONS (COMMS)**



A group of students travelled to London to see a film they created being screened at the Imperial War Museum.

A group of 10 students had been working on the film since February. They were given a brief to create a film on the theme of 'Building a Truce'.

Three of the group members - Matthew Ford, Emily Russell and Shona Duncan, who are all in Year 8 – travelled to the Imperial War

Museum on Friday, September 21, with Gifted and Talented Co-ordinator Claire Howsam for the screening.

The students filmed and edited all of their footage to create the final film, which is five

They previously visited the museum in March to film footage for their movie.

Miss Howsam said: "They had a brilliant day. They were met by Catherine Roberts, curator of the Imperial War Museum North, and Sally Molineaux, who employed their media skills again to interview people about their experiences of war and peace.

"They got to interview the Red Cross, who were there talking about the peacekeeping actions they do.

"They were very proud of their film, it got a huge round of applause."

### SIXTH FORM STUDENTS TAKE PART IN FILMING OF SHOW ON POLITICAL PARTY CONFERENCES

Five of the Academy's Sixth Form students visited the Corby Cube to watch and take part in the filming of an ITV programme featuring a local panel viewing the Conservative leader David Cameron's party conference speech. Sixth Formers Ivo Silva and James Fyvie took part in the panel and were joined by students Steven Forsyth and Sandro Moreira on the trip. Student Alexander Horne also went along to cover the trip as part of his Enrichment work. Ivo and James both spoke about the speech and how they felt about it, and all of the students got to see the technical work behind the scenes first hand.

Ivo and James said they thought the Prime Minister's speech was inspiring and look forward to seeing it broadcast.

Alexander Horne - Year 12 student

### STUDENTS GET STARTED ON LITERACY SCHEME

Students in Year 7 and Year 8 have begun the McGraw Hill Literacy Initiative, a programme designed to help students boost their reading proficiency.

The scheme is continuing at the Academy this year after it was introduced last year with a number of successes.

Higher Level Teaching Assistant Helen Bennett said: "A selection of Year 7 and Year 8 students are following this intensive reading programme.

"The McGraw Hill reading intervention is a systematic programme designed to accelerate students to outstanding reading proficiency. "The students really enjoy the structure of the lessons and are benefitting from small group settings."

English instructor Ann Ingram said: "It complements the English lessons the students do."



# ARTS MUSIC & INDUSTRIAL DESIGN (AMID)





# TYLER HELPS OUT DURING RECORDING SESSION

Year 11 student Tyler Butler gained some good experience when he helped out during a recording session with the Virtuosi GUS Band and Britain's Got Talent finalist Faryl Smith. Faryl, who lives in Kettering, joined the band in the Academy's theatre as they recorded 36 tracks on Friday September 14 and over the weekend of September 15 and 16.

The band recorded a Christmas CD featuring the music of Andrew Wainwright, the band's Composer in Residence, which will feature Faryl on three songs.

They also recorded a CD featuring the music of the band's principal trombone player Chris Jeans.

Director of Music Clive Wears, who plays percussion in the Virtuosi GUS Band, said: "Tyler gained some valuable experience with sound

production over the course of the weekend. All this really bodes well with the purchase of our new bespoke recording studio which is now up and running. These are exciting times at Corby Business Academy for music recording and sound production."

Tyler said: "I sat in on the recording and I learnt about the mic set ups, how to use the equipment and the desk.

Over the weekend we had to set up mics, I learnt about all different microphones and the different types of microphones used for different instruments and voices.

"It was a 36 track album so we recorded for 11 straight hours. I enjoyed it quite a lot."

### MUSICAL STUDENTS PUT ON A SHOW AT RECITALS

Students showed off their musical skills at a series of recitals at CBA.

Parents and carers were invited to come along to see students who play string, brass and woodwind instruments play at three recitals in school.

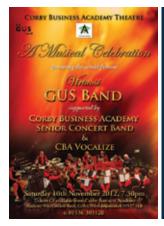
The last of the series of recitals, a vocal recital, is set to take place on Monday, November 12.

Director of Music Clive Wears said: "A lot of these students were here when the Academy opened five years ago so it's great to see them progressing."

Tickets are not required for the vocal recital.







# CHOIR AND SENIOR CONCERT BAND SET TO PUT ON A SHOW

CBA Vocalize and the Senior Concert Band are set to put on a show with the Virtuosi GUS Band on Saturday, November 10.

The show is named A Musical Celebration and will begin at 7.30pm in the Academy's theatre.

Director of Music Clive Wears said: "The CBA musical groups will play in the first half of the show and the Virtuosi GUS Band will play in the second half, then the CBA groups will join them on stage at the end.

"The Senior Concert Band have got the National Festival Band competition the week after the show. They will be performing a selection of music from the shows and film music, a really varied and entertaining programme.

"CBA Vocalize and the Senior Concert Band are extensively rehearsing and we are really looking forward to performing alongside the Virtuosi GUS Band."

Tickets are £3 and are available from the Academy, or call 01536 303120.

## BUSINESS, HUMANITIES & ENTERPRISE (BHE)



A group of Sixth Form students have formed a new Young Enterprise firm.

A total of 17 Year 12 students chose to take part in Young Enterprise from a series

The group have held several meetings, during which they discussed the products they will sell and chose roles for group

members. They will sell their product at events including trade fairs.

The Young Enterprise company will be guided and supported by their Young Enterprise Business Advisors, Shaun Coleman and Patrick Tierney from RS Components, and their link teacher Alexandra Allan.

### GOOD RESPONSE TO CALL FOR SPEAKERS

Parents who work in a range of industries have responded to an invitation to share their business expertise with students at the Academy.

Parents were asked by letter to consider coming into school to tell students about their work so the experience could help to bring business to life for students.

A number of parents who work in the fields including engineering and finance responded saying they would be happy to come in and tell students about their jobs.

Business Studies teacher Alexandra Allan said: "A very good response has been received from our parents from a range of

industries wishing to support the initiative who recognise they have a lot to offer the school from a business perspective.

"Involvement may be a one-off visit to support a classroom of no more than 25 students.

"Corby Business Academy recognises that we have a large number of parents who have business expertise and work in middle management and upwards, therefore if you still want to get involved in sharing your expertise please contact me."

Any parents interested in supporting the Business Specialism initiative can email aallan@corbybusinessacademy.org

## **CBA WELCOMES** ITS FIRST FRENCH **ASSISTANT**

Mathilde Briaud, CBA's first French assistant has been with us since October 1st.

Mathilde is from La Rochelle on the south west coast of France and has been enjoying working with students in all year groups, encouraging them to speak in French during lessons.

She has been featuring games, songs and videos in her lessons to help students develop their language skills.

From next term she will be running a French club for Year 7 and 8 students, and will be involved in preparing students for a foreign language spelling bee competition which will be held at CBA in the spring.

Mathilde said: "When I was younger I was inspired by an English assistant to go on to study modern languages at university. I am very pleased to have the opportunity to work at CBA and I feel very welcome here. I hope to be able to help the students as much as they help me."



# SIXTH FORM

# GROUP'S TRIP TO UGANDA FOR CONFERENCE



Head of Sixth Form Kim Isaksen, our new Head Girl Ellie Mae Moore and Year 13 student Klaudia Chalubinska travelled to Uganda during the half-term break for an international conference after more than £3,000 was raised to fund the trip.

This year was the fourth year representatives of the Academy have travelled to Uganda to take part in the conference at the Discovery Centre. Fundraising efforts for the trip included a fancy dress disco, cake stalls and a race night. Students also sold fortune cookies and Valentines hearts and roses.

Mrs Isaksen said:

### "I'd like to say a big thank you to staff, students and parents who supported this."

Klaudia said: "When we were selling or doing new things to raise money, the students were really excited – we sold out of the fortune cookies and had to go and get more to sell." Klaudia also worked manning an information point at the Formula One Grand Prix at the Silverstone Circuit to help raise money.

During their trip Mrs Isaksen, Ellie Mae and Klaudia attended the conference along with Ugandan students and other students from the UK. The conference was on world affairs

and topics which were discussed included humanitarian aid and sustainability.

To view blogs from the trip visit

http://cbaugandatrip2012.blogspot.co.uk/





# SIXTH FORMERS VISIT THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT

A group of 10 Sixth Formers made their way to London to pay a visit to the Houses of Parliament.

The students travelled by train to the capital on Monday September 24 and took a guided tour of the House of Commons and the House of Lords.

The students then met with lain Mansfield, Assistant Director at the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills, who spoke to them about his job and his role in putting a new law through Parliament. Teacher Felicity Cornish, who ran the trip, said: "We got to go properly into the House of Commons and the House of

Lords and got a good clear picture of how government works. We learned lots of interesting history and stories about past Kings, Queens and Prime Ministers.

"The students were really struck by how small the House of Commons was and they also asked some good questions as they went round Parliament."

Year 13 student Morium Akter, who went on the trip, said: "I think it was a great experience. I wouldn't have probably got the chance to go otherwise. The buildings of the Houses of Parliament are beautiful. I would love to do it again."

### NEXT YEAR'S YEAR 12

Meetings are taking place with all the Year 11 students at CBA to establish whether it is their intention to stay on to be a Sixth Former with us.

Students who are not currently CBA students can also apply to become part of our Sixth Form next year and can get more information from Head of Sixth Form Kim Isaksen, who is also running tours of the Academy for interested students and parents.

External students can express an interest in taking a tour and having an informal chat with Mrs Isaksen by emailing her at: kisaksen@corbybusinessacademy.org



### LIBRARY

# GOING TO EXTREMES

Year 7 students have been reading in all sorts of weird and wonderful places over the last few months. Over the summer they all received a postcard from the library staff challenging them to send in photos of themselves reading in extreme locations the entries and imaginative reading locations have been fantastic!

James Bragg won the competition with a photo of him reading whilst on the pirate ship at Pleasurewood Hills theme park. Other fantastic entries included students reading whilst upside down on a trampoline. in the woods and sat in car boots. All entries will be on display in the library next term.







### VISIT FROM AUTHOR **MORRIS GLEITZMAN**

Children's author Morris Gleitzman signed books and spoke to students about his work when he visited CBA.

Mr Gleitzman visited on Thursday, October 18, and students from other schools including Kettering Science Academy, Brooke Weston

Academy, Lodge Park Technology College and Wrenn School also came along for the visit.

Mr Gleitzman's latest title 'After' has just been published. Year 9 student Mason Lenaghan said: "It was good and very interesting. I asked him what inspired him to write the book 'After'."



### ACCELERATED READER IS BACK

From next term all students in Years 7, 8 and 9 will be competing in a reading for pleasure competition using Accelerated Reader software. Accelerated Reader is online software that allows students to take quizzes on books they have read.

Students will accumulate points for every quiz they pass, they will

receive a certificate for five points and a prize for every 10 points they collect. As well as individual prizes, every form group will compete to pass the most quizzes Last year Mr Sam's form (pictured) won nearly every month and are definitely the form to beat this year.



### BOOKS BROUGHT TO LIFE ON THE LIBRARY'S BIG SCREEN

Students can get some ideas of what books to read by watching book trailers which are now being shown on a screen in the Library once a week

The trailers are being shown every Monday

Librarian Amy McKay said: "They are just for books. It's a different way of promoting books. "We've tried to cover each genre, books for girls and boys and

age ranges.



### **NEW MANGA BOOKS**

Around 60 new books have been added to the library's selection of Manga titles.

Librarian Amy McKay said: "A lot of the Year 10 boys are Manga enthusiasts but one is a real expert. At the start of term we asked

him to choose some new Manga graphic novels and set him some money aside from the budget.

"The Manga books are so popular, we have students from all year groups reading them." Year 10 student Kit Panther said: "I started reading Manga novels last year, they are easy to read."



# **OFSTED**





# GOOD RATING FROM OFSTED INSPECTORS

Ofsted inspectors praised Corby Business Academy in several areas after they visited to inspect the school in October.

Principal John Henrys said the report gave CBA a good platform to move to the top of the Ofsted ratings by being named an 'Outstanding' school in the future. Mr Henrys said: "The Ofsted inspectors have confirmed our self-evaluation and we feel that this gives us a good platform to move to become an 'Outstanding' school in the next three years.

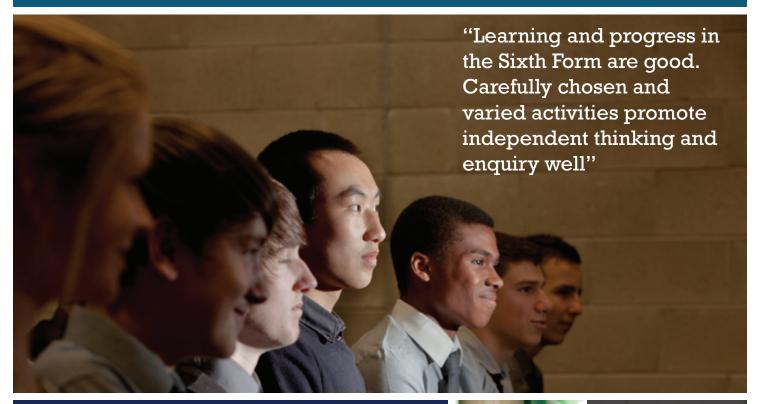
"We will continue to work hard to improve outcomes for all of our students in order to exceed national expectations. "The outcomes of the inspection reflect the hard work of both staff and students and everybody involved with the Academy is very proud. We will continue to strive to be the best."



"Staff are proud to work for the Academy and are highly committed to its success"



# **OFSTED - SIXTH FORM**



# INSPECTORS PRAISE OUR SIXTH FORM

The Ofsted report also praised CBA's Sixth Form for its good teaching, wide range of subjects on offer, small classes and good management.

The report said the use of assessment was "rigorous", learning and progress in the Sixth Form was "good" and noted that "all the students who applied gained places at their first choice universities". Head of Sixth Form Kim Isaksen said:

"The report recognises the impact of ongoing developments within the Sixth Form, especially our commitment to providing a broad range of extracurricular opportunities.

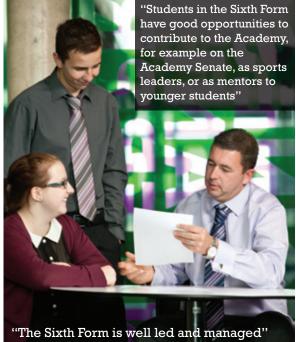
"Our success with students gaining places at first choice universities was also highlighted.

"Our Sixth Form aims to promote independent learning and this was also noted by the inspectors.

"I am extremely pleased that the inspectors recognised the growing success of the Sixth Form here at Corby Business Academy. Our staff and students should be proud of this

Mr Henrys said: "The Ofsted inspectors were impressed with the Sixth Form provision, particularly the level of personal support that the Sixth Formers get as a result of small group sizes.

"As the Sixth Form grows the range of qualifications is increasing, however the level of personal support will remain for the Sixth Form students."



### READ THE FULL REPORT

The full Ofsted report is available to read on our website at

www.corbybusinessacademy.org



"Class sizes are generally small and teachers take advantage of this to provide personal interventions and challenge wherever possible"

> "Students enjoy being at the Academy and their attendance is above average'





# SHEA IS RECOGNISED AS ONE OF THE COUNTRY'S TOP KARTING DRIVERS

Year 10 student Shea Pearce is celebrating after securing a top-ten finish in his first season of the Super One 2012 British Karting Championships.

Shea began karting when he got his first kart for Christmas in 2008.

This year was his first year competing in the Championships, which saw 35 young drivers between the ages of 12 and 17 competing over seven rounds in order to secure a seeded place in the top 15. Shea's 10th position finish means that he is now officially seeded and recognised as one of the country's top drivers.

It also means he becomes the only person in the country who is able to use the number 10 on his kart in the Junior TKM class. Shea is set to be officially awarded his number at the Autosport Show at the NEC in Birmingham in January.

Shea said: "It was really hard, there was a lot of really good competition as it was all the best drivers in the country. I was thrilled to finish in 10th position."

### STUDENTS CELEBRATE TOP MARKS IN GCSE MODULES

Year 11 students are celebrating after scoring full marks in some of their GCSE modules.

Harrison McAleese picked up 100% of the marks on offer in his two History modules, which were on medicine and Nazi Germany.

Harrison sat the modules last year when he was in Year 10.

He said: "I was pretty surprised to get 100%. I enjoy the topics, I enjoy learning about history. Nazi Germany was the better module, World War Two is my favourite subject in history.

"I'm pretty nervous because I have to live up to it this year."

Three other students – Gauthan Kumar, Joe March and Katherine Qualey – also scored 100% in one of their history modules sat last year. They will sit the final two modules this year.



### HUNDREDS TURN OUT TO CBA OPEN WEEK

Nearly 800 people came to have a look around the Academy during our Open Week. Year 6 students and their parents were invited to come and get a taste of what life at the Academy is like between Monday, October 1, and Friday, October 5. A presentation was made to visitors before they were shown around the building by Sixth Formers and members of staff. Vice Principal Lorraine Smith said: "We were delighted to have nearly 800 visitors over the course of the week. Some of the

visitors were so impressed they returned to a different session and brought partners and members of their family back with them." Feedback from visitors included comments from one visitor who praised their Sixth Form tour guide, describing the student as "incredibly enthusiastic, well presented, polite and engaging".

Other visitors said they were "very impressed" and had got an "excellent impression of the facilities and ethos of the Academy" during their tours.



# EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

Year 12 students visited a class in our Designated Special Provision (DSP) to look at how barriers to effective communication can be overcome.

During the session Year 12 students who are working on their first Health and Social Care unit looked at various barriers to effective communication, such as poor speech and deafness.

The students from the DSP shared their different communication aids and demonstrated how they help them to communicate in school.

Year 12 student Chloe Hill said: "There are far more methods of communicating than I thought and lots of different tools for overcoming the barriers."

Class teacher Kim Isaksen said: "The experience

allowed Year 12 students to experience real communication difficulties, identify the impact these have in the classroom and start to develop strategies for effective communication in a range of health and social care environments."

# **ACADEMY NEWS - SENATE**



# INTRODUCING OUR NEW SENATE

#### CBA's new Senate has been elected.

The new Senate is made up of two representatives from each year group through from Year 7 to Year 11, plus two Sixth Form representatives and our Head Boy and Head Girl.

#### The new Senate representatives are:

Year 7	Ellie Kyle and Joshua Rogers		
Year 8	Chloe Burton and Jack Green		
Year 9	Eve Pavitt and Ellie Wright		
Year 10	Robert Muir and Shannon Butler		
Year 11	Katherine Qualey and Bradley Thompson		
Sixth Form	Andile Chiwuta, Morium Akter, Head Boy David Graham and		

Head Girl Ellie Mae Moore

The new Senate held its first meeting on Tuesday, October 2. One of the matters discussed was the need for a bus shelter on the public bus stop outside the Academy, a matter which the Senate is set to pursue. The minutes from meetings of the Senate will be posted on the Academy website. Year 9 student Eve Pavitt has been a member of the Senate since she joined the Academy and will complete her third year as part of the Senate this year. She said: "I enjoy putting peoples' views across, getting their views registered and understood and getting things done."

Joshua Rogers is one of the two Year 7 Senate members this year. He said: "I wanted to be a member of the Senate because I thought it would be interesting. I was over the moon when I found out I was going to be part of it."

### **NEW TIES FOR** SENATE MEMBERS

Newly-elected members of our Senate are wearing brand-new ties to signify their role. The idea for the special ties was put forward by last year's Senate.

Senate member Jack Green, who is in Year 8, said: "Lots of people have come up to us asking why our ties are different – they definitely stand out."

Year 8 Senate member Chloe Burton said: "As soon as I walked into my English class wearing the new tie people were asking why my tie was different.'





### DAVID & ELLIE MAE ARE THE ACADEMY'S NEW HEAD BOY & HEAD GIRL

David Graham and Ellie Mae Moore have been chosen to be the Academy's new Head Boy and Head Girl.

The pair, who are both Year 12 students, were chosen after applying for the roles by letter and then undergoing interviews with Head of Sixth Form Kim Isaksen and Principal John Henrys. Mrs Isaksen said: "Both interviewees showed real maturity and a desire to make a difference at Corby Business Academy.

"They will both be excellent ambassadors for CBA as the Sixth Form continues to develop." David said: "I applied because I was Deputy Head Boy last year and I wanted the opportunity to be Head Boy.

"I was pleased to be named Head Boy. I want the opportunity to represent the school and to show what I can do.

"I'm looking forward to taking part in school activities and showing around parents who come into school."

Ellie Mae said: "I applied because I wanted to meet new people and take up new challenges."



# STUDENTS GO BEHIND THE SCENES OF BRITISH TOURING CAR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Students got the chance to look behind the scenes at Rockingham Speedway as the circuit prepared to host the Dunlop MSA British Touring Car Championship (BTCC). A group of Year 12 students toured the BTCC garages on Friday, September 21, ahead of the races on Sunday, September 23. During the visit the students met some of the people who work behind the scenes,

as well as some of the drivers who were busy preparing, including Pirtek Racing's Wellingborough-based driver Jeff Smith. They also learned about tyre technology. The students were invited for the VIP visit as part of the championship's successful school visit programme.

Year 12 student Stefan Malesevic said: "I really enjoyed the day out at Rockingham

Speedway, I learned a lot about the cars. I got to sit in one of the cars and learn how the car works on the inside, which is what I enjoyed the most.

"Also we got to meet some of the racers and talk to them about their experiences."
Year 12 student Paul Erwin said: "It was a good day out, I enjoyed seeing the cars. The racing was good and I would go again."

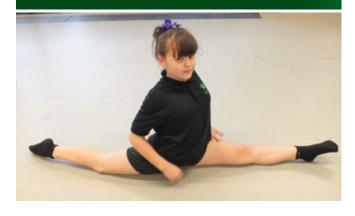
### STUDENTS TAKE PART IN DANCE AND DRAMA SESSIONS

Students have been taking part in dance and drama sessions run during Session 4 by representatives from The Core theatre at the Corby Cube.

The sessions have been running on Mondays and are set to continue until the summer.

The classes are aimed at increasing opportunities in the arts at CBA.

Work created by students during the classes is set to be performed at some point during the school year.



### NEW BASKETBALL COACH FOR SESSION 4 CLASSES

A basketball coach who has worked for a professional team has started leading after-school basketball classes twice a week at the Academy.

Dick Barrett developed a junior programme for the Leicester Riders team and went on to run the club's junior section. He also delivered his junior programme in about 80 primary schools in Leicestershire. Dick, who now coaches the senior men's team at the Market Harborough Flyers, is running two basketball sessions a week at the Academy. He leads basketball sessions for Key Stage 4 (Years 10 and 11) and Key Stage 5 (Sixth Form) students on Tuesdays from 3.30pm to 5.45pm and a session for Key Stage 3 (Year 7, 8 and 9) students on Wednesdays from 3pm to 5pm.

He said: "It's really exciting for me

to coach at Corby Business Academy. There are definitely some talented students."

Teacher James Aston is encouraging students in Years 7, 8 and 9 to get involved in the sessions on Wednesdays. He said: "Students can come along to training and see how it goes, there's no pressure – just because you come to training doesn't mean you have to play."



### IVO AND JAMES **NETWORK AT BUSINESS EVENT**

Two Year 13 students met members of the local business community at a business lunch event.

Students Ivo Silva and James Fyvie attended the Corby Business Group's lunch event on Friday, September 14, at the Hunting Lodge in Cottingham.

Both Ivo and James are studying Business at A Level and took the opportunity to meet local businesspeople from a range of sectors.

Ivo said: "Overall it was very good. It was informal, there were representatives from lots of local businesses and they asked us where we were from and what our aspirations were.'

James said: "The people were quite friendly. It was enlightening."

Business teacher Alexandra Allan, who accompanied the pair, said: "Ivo and James met people from various industries. We spoke to people within the legal sector, the finance sector and the hospitality sector.

"The visit brought business to life for our students."





### RESTAURANT SHOWS STUDENTS HOW TO GET THEIR FIVE-A-DAY

Students will be able to easily make sure they are getting the five portions of fruit and vegetables they need every day thanks to a new system being run by the restaurant.

The restaurant has begun displaying a selected menu from the day's menus in the lunch queue which includes five portions of fruit and vegetables. Students just need to follow this menu to ensure they get their five-a-day. Restaurant manager Chris Lapsley said: "We are focussing on healthy eating and making it

easier for the students to make sure they get the five portions of fruit and vegetables their bodies need each day to function properly."

A sample five-a-day menu is:

Breakfast: Baked beans and tomatoes on

toast (1 portion) and a piece of

fresh fruit (1 portion)

Lunch: Cottage pie (1 portion),

cauliflower and peas (1 portion) and a fresh fruit salad (1 portion)

### STUDENTS SPEND TWO DAYS ON CAMPING EXPEDITION TO RUTLAND

Public Services students showed they could cope in the great outdoors when they went on a two-day camping trip to Rutland.

The expedition took place on September 11th and 12th and included an overnight stay at the Duke of Edinburgh campsite at Wing in Rutland. The students walked to the campsite and cooked for themselves

Teacher James Aston, who ran the trip, said: "The students walked 24km over two days, from Rockingham to Belton-in-Rutland and then on the second day from Wing to Gretton.

"The students had to cook at the campsite on Trangias (portable stoves)

and camp overnight to pass the course.

"They needed to have good map and compass skills and take it in turns to lead the group."





# YEAR 8 STUDENTS WATCH HARD-HITTING DRAMA PERFORMANCE

Year 8 students watched a drama which covered a number of issues. Ultra Ego drama group visited CBA on Monday, October 15, and performed the show in the theatre.

It covered issues including staying safe online and also featured real-life stories of child sexual exploitation and trafficking.

The show is being performed around the county and is being put on by the Northamptonshire branch of the charity CAN.

PCSO Alex Franklin said: "It was a hard-hitting play. The students were engaged with it, they asked some good questions at the end.

"This drama followed on from one which was performed here last year which was about drugs. Hopefully we can keep these going and have more performances in the future."

# WORLDWIDE INFLUENCES DURING ACADEMY'S WEEK OF LANGUAGES

There was an international feel to the Academy when staff and students got into the spirit of our Week of Languages.

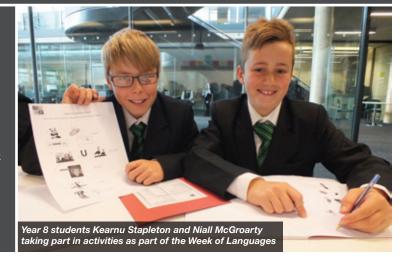
Throughout the week menus in the restaurant were displayed in French, Spanish and German to give students the chance to brush up on their language skills in the lunch gueue.

A languages quiz was run in the library. To take part students were given a list of translations of the greeting 'hello' and were asked to match each greeting to the country it was from and write it under the correct country's flag on their quiz sheet. The winners were Year 10 students Vanessa Winkler and Bianca Ursu.

There were language assemblies and staff also wore badges to mark the special week and spoke in other languages.

Students were invited to vote for their 'staff linguist of the week' and the winner was teacher Fatema Qaasim with 88 votes.

Director of Modern Foreign Languages Karen Turney said: "Everyone really entered into the spirit of the week and it was great to hear different languages spoken in the Academy."





# STUDENTS VISIT ANFIELD DURING TRIP TO LIVERPOOL

A group of 12 students went on a two-day trip to Liverpool, where they played football against students from local schools and visited Anfield, home of Liverpool Football Club.

The students, who are now in Year 8, went on the trip during the last week of the Summer Term. On the first day the students played football against a team at the Archbishop Beck School in Liverpool. Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) Stuart Baker, who is manager of the Year 9 and 10 football teams, said: "This gave the boys a chance

to experience playing against students of their own age but in a different county. Although they lost the game it still had its benefits.

"We then took in a tour of Anfield stadium and museum and the boys enjoyed looking around the dressing room and asked some good questions." On day two of the trip the boys visited another school to play another football match.

Afterwards they went to the city's Albert Docks to

Afterwards they went to the city's Albert Docks to visit the museums and to have dinner.

# **MEGAN AND EMILY GET** PROM FUND STARTED

Year 11 students Megan Hogg and Emily Carroll got this year's prom fund started when they ran a stall at a car boot sale. The sale took place at Corby Town Football Club's ground. Megan and Emily set up their stall at around 7am and traded until around 12.30pm. Their efforts raised £85, the first cash to go into the fund to go towards this year's Year 11 prom. Megan said: "We sold cakes and shortbread that Emily made with her grandma and got together car boot stuff from different people to sell.

"We told people it was to raise money so everyone can afford a prom ticket, so the more we raise the lower the prices.

"This is the first event we have done this year to raise money. We sold more than we expected and raised more than we expected as well."

Megan and Emily are now planning to run a stall at a Christmas fete at Corby Old Village Church to raise more cash.







# FILL UP SHOEBOXES FOR OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Students have until Wednesday, November 14, to fill up their shoeboxes to be sent away to disadvantaged children as part of Operation Christmas Child.

Each tutor group should fill at least two shoeboxes by the deadline and there will be prizes for the tutor groups in Key Stage 3 and in Key Stage 4 who fill the most shoeboxes. The shoeboxes should be filled with items for a girl or a boy and will be sent off to disadvantaged children in time for Christmas.

The Sixth Form Charity Committee is organising CBA's Operation Christmas Child appeal. Ellie Mae Moore, who is part of the committee, said: "It's going really well so far, we want to aim for more than 50 shoeboxes. These pictures show the Operation Christmas Child efforts made at CBA in previous years.

For more information about Operation **Christmas Child visit:** www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk





## CBA STUDENTS CAN LEARN TO BECOME **MASTERCHEFS**

Students are being invited to learn the basics of cooking to prepare them to compete in CBA's own Masterchef competition.

Students who want to enter the competition must first attend cooking classes over seven weeks during Session 4 on Tuesdays.

The classes will begin after half term, with the first Session 4 lesson on Tuesday, November 6.

Students must come to every week of the cooking lessons to be eligible to compete in the Masterchef competition, which will take place in the new year. CBA's restaurant manager Chris Lapsley said: "The Session 4 lessons will give students the skill base so they can come in in Term 3, be given a bag of ingredients and they can make something."

#### The plan for the sessions is:

Week 1 (Tuesday, November 6) Basic hygiene and knife skills.

#### Week 2 (Tuesday, November 13)

Stocks and soups - students will learn how to make a fresh vegetable stock and a fresh chicken stock, and then how to turn them both into a delicious soup.

#### Week 3 (Tuesday, November 20)

Rice - students will learn about the different varieties of rice and how to make three different rice dishes.

#### Week 4 (Tuesday, November 27)

Potatoes - students will learn about the different potato varieties and how to cook three different potato dishes.

Week 5 (Tuesday, December 4) Vegetables – students will learn about the seasonality of vegetables and how to cook three different vegetable side dishes.

### Week 6 (Tuesday, December 11)

Meat and poultry - students will learn about all the different cuts of meat and will learn how to cook a classic French chicken dish.

#### Week 7 (Tuesday, December 18)

Visit to Farndon Fields farm shop in Market Harborough.





### SENATE MEMBERS INTERVIEW CANDIDATES

Members of our Senate teamed up with Student Council members from our partner school Thomas Clarkson Academy in Wisbech to interview candidates for positions within the Brooke Weston Trust.

Senate members including Sixth Formers Morium Akter and Charlotte

Bean, who is Chair of the Education Committee, questioned candidates during several interviews. Senior Assistant Principal Kirsty Farrar said: "Charlotte and Morium" said all the students were well prepared and were very professional, I was really proud."

### VISIT TO DUXFORD FOR STUDENTS STUDYING WORLD WAR TWO

Year 9 students visited the Imperial War Museum Duxford as part of their history studies on World War Two.

The group went on the trip on Monday, October 22.

Higher Level Teaching Assistant Caren Brown said: "As part of the work on World War Two we have looked at the home front, reasons why the war started and ended and the impact it had on life during this time.

"While at Duxford we looked at the Battle of Britain hanger with lots of types of aircrafts that fought during this period.

"There were also lots of interactive activities about flying. We had a go on a simulator as if we were flying.



#### **CORBY BUSINESS ACADEMY AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES - TERM 2**

DAY MONDAY	FACULTY ACTIVITY	LOCATION	TIME	STAFF
AMID	Senior Brass Ensemble	AU2	3.30 - 4.30	Garry Fountain
AMID	CBA Vocalize (CU)	AU6	3.30 - 4.30	Felicity Cornish
AMID	Rock Band Practice	AU4	3.45 - 5.00	Felicity Cornish
AMID	GCSE Textiles	AMID	3.45 - 4.45	Sam Fynan
AMID	Digital Photography – Year 9 (every other week)	AMID	3.45 - 4.45	Zoe Moore
BHE	AS Level Polish	BHE	3.45 - 5.45	Beata Bykowska
BHE	Btec Catch Up  Drama Club - Years 7/8	BHE COMMS Drama Studio	3.45 - 4.45	Alex Allan Fatema Qaasim
MAIT	Maths Challenge (G&T)	COMMS Drama Studio MAIT	3.45 - 5.00 3.45 - 4.45	Marion Freeman
PNS	Dance Club (CU) – Year 7	Dance Studio	3.45 - 5.00	Francia Dickinson
PNS	Running Club – All Years	Outside	3.45 - 4.45	Natasha Dunstone/Juanita Robertsor
PNS	Boys Cricket Club (CU) - Year 7	Field	3.45 - 5.45	Jordon Joseph
PNS	Girls Football Club - All Years (CU)	Astro	3.45 - 5.00	PNS Staff
LIBRARY	Lego Club	Library	3.30 - 5.00	Amy McKay
LIBRARY TUESDAY	OPEN (quiet study time)	Library	To - 5.30	Amy McKay
AMID	Junior Concert Band	AU6	3.30 - 4.30	Clive Wears
AMID	Senior Woodwind	AU2	3.30 - 4.30	Pam Carter
AMID AMID	Food Club/Cooking Competition	AMID AMID	3.45 - 5.30	Cath Davis/Chris Lapsley Dave Mitchell/Jacqui Brown
AMID	KS4 Art & Design Catch Up  Art Club	AIVIID AL8	3.45 - 5.00 3.45 - 5.00	Elizabeth Hopkins
AMID	Btec Catch Up	AMID	3.45 - 5.00	Sam Fynan
AMID	Rock Band Practice	AU4	3.45 - 5.00	Felicity Cornish
AMID	KS4 GCSE Extension Work	AU1	3.45 - 5.00	Zoe Moore
BHE	Btec Catch Up	BHE	3.45 - 4.45	Alex Allan
BHE	GCSE French Support	BU3/4	3.45 - 4.45	Karen Turney/Karen Mayes
BHE	GCSE Spanish Support	BL1/2	3.45 - 4.45	Kim Kennemer
BHE	Humanities Drop in Club	BU5	3.45 - 5.00	Sam Stacey
BHE COMMS	Business Studies Coursework Catch Up	BHE COMMS	3.45 - 5.00	Alex Allan
INCLUSION	Revision Sessions - Year 11  Kitchen Garden Club (open to all) (CU)	DL1 & KITCHEN GARDEN	3.45 - 5.00 3.30 - 4.45	Lou Cory Nikki Clark
INCLUSION	Fitness/Dance	DU8	3.45 - 4.45	Claire Robinson
PNS	KS4/5 Basketball Club (CU)	Sports Hall	3.45 - 5.30	James Aston
PNS	Junior/Senior Dance Company	Dance Studio	3.45 - 5.00	Francia Dickinson
PNS	Football Club (CU) - Year 10	Astro	3.45 - 4.45	Stuart Baker
PNS	Rugby Club - Year 7	Field	3.45 - 4.45	Phil Woolley
MAIT	ICT Coursework Catch Up	ML7	3.30 - 5.00	ICT Staff
LIBRARY LIBRARY	Kangoo Literacy – Year 7 (by invitation only)  OPEN (quiet study time)	Library  LIBRARY	3.30 - 5.00 <b>To - 5.30</b>	Amy McKay  Amy McKay
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AMID	String Ensemble (CU)	AU2	3.00 -4.00	Felicity Cornish
AMID	Rock Band Practice	AU4	3.45 - 5.00	Felicity Cornish
BHE	Btec Catch Up	BHE	3.45 - 4.45	Alex Allan
BHE	Duke of Edinburgh Award Imperial War Museum/Media Working Group	BHE CL4	3.15 - 4.15	Nigel Holt
PNS	Dance Club (CU) – Year 7 & 8	Dance Studio	3.45 - 5.00 3.15 - 4.45	Claire Howsam  Daryl Handy
PNS	KS3 Basketball (CU)	Sports Hall	3.45 - 5.30	James Aston
LIBRARY	KS3 Manga Mania/Magic Club (CU)	Library	3.15 - 4.45	Amy McKay
LIBRARY	OPEN (quiet study time)	LIBRARY	To - 5.30	Amy McKay
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AMID	Senior Concert Band	AU6	3.30 - 5.00	Clive Wears
AMID AMID	KS3 Electronics Club  KS4 DT Catch Up	AMID AMID	3.45 - 5.00 3.45 - 5.00	Dave Mitchell Cath Davis
AMID	Craft Club	AMID	3.45 - 5.00	Ena Fry
AMID	KS4 Catch-up Sessions	AL8	3.45 - 5.00	Jackie Brown
AMID	Vocal Coaching - Year 7/8	AU2	3.30 - 5.00	Felicity Cornish
AMID	Btec Catch Up	AMID	3.45 - 5.00	Sam Fynan
COMMS	Film Club (every other week)	Small Lecture Theatre	3.45 - 5.45	Lou Cory
COMMS	GCSE/AS/A2 Media Studies	CL4	3.45 - 5.00	Claire Howsam
INCLUSION MAIT	Boccia (open to all)  ICT Drop In – All Years	Main Theatre ML7	3.45 - 4.45 3.30 - 5.00	Nikki Clark ICT Staff
MAIT	Maths revision and support - Year 12/13	MAIT	3.45 - 5.00	Sam Anderson
MAIT	GCSE Maths support	MAIT	3.45 - 5.00	MAIT Staff
PNS	Boys Football Club (CU) – Year 9	Sports Hall	3.45 - 4.45	Stuart Baker
PNS	Science Club "Hogwarts" (every other week)	PNS	4.00 - 5.00	Sarah Dankmeyer
PNS	Animal/Garden Club/Winter months Astronomy – All Years (CU) (every other week)	PL4	4.00 - 5.00	Neil Price
PNS	Development Team Training Cricket (invitation only)	Sports Hall	3.45 - 5.45	Jordon Joseph
PNS	Dance Club (CU) – Year 12	Dance Studio	3.45 - 5.00	Francia Dickinson
PNS	Volleyball Club - All Years	Sports Hall	3.45 - 5.00	Klm Kennemer/Coach
PNS BHE	Boys Football Club - Year 7 Travel & Tourism KS4 Catch Up	Astro BHE	3.45 - 4.45 3.30 - 5.45	Phil Woolley Helen Featherstone / Peter May
BHE BHE	French Club/Spelling Bee – Year 7/8	BU3	3.45 - 4.45	Mathilde Briaud
BHE	Business Studies Coursework Catch Up	BHE	3.45 - 4.45	Alex Allan
BHE	AS Level Polish	BHE	3.45 - 5.45	Beata Bykowska
	Humanities Drop in Club	BU5	3.45 - 5.00	Sam Stacey
BHE				
BHE	Elite Company	BHE	3.45 - 5.00	Tony Segalini
BHE LIBRARY	Corby Book Addicts	LIBRARY	3.45 - 5.00	Amy McKay
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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 through CBA Central. NO LATE BUSES FRIDAY. Session 4 activities may be cancelled at short notice due to unforeseen circumstances, however alternative provision will be put in place.

### **JOINING PIP**

For all new Year 7 parents we always welcome members to our PIP. Ways in which parents can help is to be part of fundraising events, listen to students' business presentations and assist with Session 4 clubs.

For more information please email Senior Assistant Principal Kirsty Farrar at:

kfarrar@corbybusinessacademy.org

### RECENT PROJECTS

As you can see on this page, there are many ways our Parents in Partnership have made a difference to the school recently. One of the recent projects involving our Parents in Partnership was the purchase of our new cricket nets. Parents in Partnership pooled resources with the Academy's Senate to buy the professional nets, which all students can use.

Parents in Partnership have also recently purchased sheet music for use by the CBA Choir.

Senior Assistant Principal Kirsty Farrar said: "Our Parents in Partnership have really made a difference to the school with these projects. We would love for you to be part of Parents in Partnership as they get started on their next projects for the benefit our students."

### PIP MEETINGS

#### Term 2

Monday December 3rd 2012 6.00pm

Term 3

Monday February 4th 2013 6.00pm

Term 5

Monday April 22nd 2013 6.00pm

# "listening to your views"

We hope you have enjoyed reading this edition of In Press. We are always keen to hear your feedback or thoughts on content for future editions. Please email our Press Officer Bernie Goodjohn at **bgoodjohn@corbybusinessacademy.org** if you would like to get in touch regarding In Press.

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### COMPANY SPONSORS TEAMS' NETBALL DRESSES

A local company has sponsored new netball dresses for CBA's netball teams.

Aerial & Security Services, which is based in Gretton, has funded dresses for the Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 netball teams.

Company owner Elaine Clements, who is part of our Parents in Partnership, said: "They look

like a team and they look professional."
Shannon Butler, who is part of the Year 10
netball team, said: "I think the dresses are
really good, you can move more in them."
Aimee Warrior, who is also on the team, said:
"I think having these dresses makes us all feel
like we're more of a professional team."



### YEAR 7 DISCO

A disco for Year 7s raised £230 for Parents in Partnership. Around 100 students attended the event on Tuesday, October 23.

Students Nick Galway and Logan Freer were DJs on the night and Sixth Formers Morium

Akter, Charlotte Bean, Eden Lonie and Shona McKinnon supervised the event.

Year 11 student Bradley Thompson also ran a tuck shop.



