

SPORTS NEWS

BADMINTON

At the All Year Groups tournament, which was held at Lady Lumley's, the KS3 boys, KS3 girls and the KS4 girls' teams won their events. They all progressed through to the second round of the tournament in Harrogate, where all the teams came up against strong competition. Although the students were unable to manage a win through to the third round of the tournament, they all felt they had given their all and pride themselves on reaching the Harrogate stages.

ATHLETICS

20 KS3 students, and 17 KS4 students, boys and girls, travelled to Ryedale School for the district athletics event. For the girls, Marianna Dimitrova qualified in the 200m and long jump competition and Charlie Armstrong qualified in the long jump competition. For the boys, George Austin-Thompson won his high jump event and also qualified for the 100m, Will Rowe qualified for discus & shot, Tim Green for javelin, Jordan Smith for long jump & triple jump, Jack Villa-Fordon for 200m and Von Sumsard for long jump. The students will now go on to represent the district at the county trials on Saturday 13 June at York University sports centre.

FOOTBALL

The Year 8 team won the 7-a-side Whitby Ryedale tournament held on the 3G at Malton Community Sports Centre. The U19 football team got through to the quarter finals of the county cup, narrowly missing out to an exceptionally strong opposition. The U13 girls' football team, coached by Jay Rowley Manager at the Sports Centre, made it through to the finals of the North Yorkshire Schools Cup. In the final they played a strong Scalby team, losing out 3 - 2 after extra time. Considering this is the first season the team has been together, they have done brilliantly. U15 boys got through to the finals of the Scarborough and District cup, played on the Pickering Town ground. They played a very strong Pindar team and came out runners-up in the district.

TENNIS

Izzy Grayson, Daisy Ferguson, Olivia Egan, Leah Barker - U15s, and Hannah Atkinson, Lexy Ilesley, Georgia Griffiths, Ellie Allan - U13s attended the district trials recently. Daisy was selected for the U15 doubles side and Lexy was selected to represent the U13s doubles.



The U13 district tennis trials. L-R Hannah Atkinson, Georgia Griffiths, Ellie Allan and Lexy Ilesley.

RUGBY

Year 9 are Scarborough & District champions, winning the trophy. They also attended the East Yorkshire Finals. The Year 9 Rugby 7s tournament, held at Malton & Norton Rugby Club, saw Malton take the trophy again with impressive wins over Caedmon, Eskdale, Graham and Ryedale in the final. The annual schools rugby tournament, which was also held at Malton & Norton Rugby Club, saw Malton clinch the win on points difference. Years 10 & 8 both came runners-up in the Scarborough & District Finals. Year 10 came a close runner-up in the District Rugby 7s tournament, narrowly missing out to a strong Scalby team, 26 - 28.



Year 8 Football Team. Back row L-R Josh Lee, Monty Pegrum, Von Sumsard, Will Scholefield, Lewis Pople. Front row L-r Ben Ilesley, Patrick Jackson, Joe Matique, Zac Thompson, Aziz Kir

NETBALL

The Year 11 partnership netball team are the champions, with victories over Ryedale and Caedmon College. Niamh Creber, Maddie Craggs, Lauren Gregory, Olive Ferguson and Neve Leggett are involved in the England Netball Pathway Programme which is run at the Sports Centre.

HOCKEY

Year 7 girls' hockey are Whitby Ryedale District Champions. The Year 8 team came runners-up in the district hockey tournament. The Year 11 mixed hockey team have been enjoying friendly games and recently played a 7-a-side match against Norton where they drew 2 - 2. All the students played a very skilled game.



Back row L-R Christian Floris, Lewis Botham, Josh Wainwright, Robbie Holmes, Jake Newsome, Sophie Watson, Steph Bramley. Front row L-R Olive Ferguson, Scarlett Aldrich, Asha Wright, Kerry Scott, Lucy Walker, Beth Hill.



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THE BIG SHOW WITH THE 'WOW!' FACTOR

It was Malton School's biggest show in decades, had 3 sell-out nights and may even be set to launch the careers of some little known talent.

Little Shop of Horrors - a musical with a quirky storyline following the antics of Seymour, a florist's assistant, who discovers a rather unusual plant with a craving for, urch! - blood! - was put on in March in Malton School's brand, spanking new drama studio.

With 200 comfortable and retractable seats, the installation of a new sound system plus lighting rigs, it was a chance for this production to christen our new drama and dance studio and bring the former stage of the old Grammar School back to life.

Involving students from all the years, it was an enormously talented cast that put on the show. One that could sing, act, make people laugh, perform live music, build sets and manage the sound and lighting. The lead cast were played by Heather Staples (Audrey) and Joe Wing (Seymour) with supporting cast members including Wilf Kimber (Mr Mushnik), Sam Carroll (Orin Scrivello) and Jamie Gough (Audrey II).

Some of the young cast - 35 in total - have already built up a strong repertoire in performance: singing, acting, playing instruments and dancing. They've performed on stage in school, as well as across the region - the Milton Rooms, Scarborough Spa and in York theatres.



Joe Wing and Heather Staples taking a bow.

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The Big Show with the 'WOW!' Factor - continued from front cover.

But just as many had never placed a toe - let alone a foot - on stage, until Little Shop of Horrors. Uncovering and showcasing their talents was as much a revelation to them, as it was for their friends, family and the whole school community.

And credit for this must go to Hayley Spiers, Drama teacher, for talent spotting and putting on such a professional production. It might have been her first time in the Director's chair at Malton, but for Hayley, drama is in her bones. She loved drama at school, and after sixth form led drama workshops with a company in Hong Kong. From there she went on to study Drama at university.

Hayley Spiers:

"Little Shop of Horrors was chosen because it is a personal favourite of mine: I was in it when I was 16 and I really loved being a part of it. I think that it's a big show with lots of

room for creativity and the "wow!" factor. The students had to work exceptionally hard, but put on a show they should be enormously proud of."

Interestingly, it's an old favourite of the Musical Director too. The first time Julian Taylor, music teacher at Malton, was involved with Little Shop of Horrors was 25 years ago when he played drums for the show. This was his fourth performance as Musical Director.

Finally, Malton School must extend a big thank you. We were delighted to have received sponsorship and donations from a wide number of people and local companies. Raising over £500 in sponsorship, along with ticket sales and profits donated from the bar by the PTA, meant the school was able to make a significant contribution towards production costs.

Sponsors of Little Shop of Horrors

The Handy Mag, Derwent Training Authority, Perry's Coaches, Countrywide, PJ Bower, Tate-Smith Ltd., Big Boolies, 121 Taxi and Fletchers coaches.

IT'S A COVER UP!

For those with beady eyes, you are right - the east wing entrance has now been enclosed. Of course, it will make this part of the school warmer and drier, but the reason for the on-going improvement to this part of the school buildings is security.

John Coates, site manager, said:

"We are always looking to see what we can do to improve security, such as the recent introduction of lanyards for staff and sixth form students, not just visitors. But we want to strike the right balance between a happy, working school and a safe environment."

John is pictured here with Jane Richardson, the school's finance officer and in charge of the school budget. They are just two members of our school staff who work long hours, behind the scenes, to keep the school running smoothly. Jane is a chartered certified accountant and John has 30 years caretaking and site management experience. As we go to press, the school has been given the green light for new double-glazed windows to be put in the music block this summer and a major refurbishment of its Design and Technology rooms, paid for by NYCC, for summer 2016. Excellent news!



Jane Richardson and John Coates at East Wing reception.

BARONESS TANNI INSPIRES...

There was a real buzz in the drama studio last term as nearly 200 students waited for the arrival of sporting legend, Baroness Tanni Grey-Thompson.

Tanni is considered to be one of the nation's most successful disabled athletes, winning medals at five successive Paralympic games. In Athens, in 2004, she won 2 Gold medals in the 100m and 400m. She is also a 6 time winner of the Women's London Wheelchair Marathon. In 2010 she was created a life peer.

A renowned motivational speaker, she spoke to Years' 10 and 11 about her role as a peer and her particular interests: sport, politics, diversity and disability rights. Afterwards, she took questions from the students hosted by the Head Girl and Head Boy.

Rachel Allen, Deputy Head Girl, said:

"Meeting Baroness Tanni Grey-Thompson was so inspiring, and a great privilege. She was interested in our questions and was warm and funny."

Sara Thorpe, Head of Social Sciences, added:

"I am hoping that students will not only have a greater understanding of how Parliament and politics works, but will also be tremendously inspired by Tanni's drive and focus to achieve over and over, no matter what challenges you face day-to-day."

Her visit was part of the Peers into Schools programme offered by the House of Lords.



...AND PRINCESS ANNE DROPS IN

In the spring term we had a surprise royal landing on our sports' field, Princess Anne accompanied by the Lord Lieutenant for North Yorkshire. Princess Anne was here to unveil a plaque to mark the opening of Racing Welfare's new accommodation on Old Maltongate. The Head boy and Head Girl, Rob Ingram and Merrie Barnet, were invited to meet HRH as she stepped out of the Royal Helicopter and into a waiting landrover. The Princess Royal is due back in Malton this summer to officially open Jack Berry House, the Injured Jockey Fund's new rehabilitation and fitness centre.

TESTING THE BEST

Talented young maths students at Malton School had a chance to test their nerves and show off their problem-solving skills by taking part in the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust (UKMT) Junior Challenge.

Fifty nine 11 and 12 year olds from the top sets in Year 7 and Year 8 recently took up the national challenge.

Based in the School of Mathematics at the University of Leeds, the UKMT Junior Challenge is aimed at students in Year 8 or below. Top performing students, around 1200 of them, are then invited to take part in the national Junior Mathematical Olympiad.

Naomi Watson, Year 7, said:

"The maths test was quite challenging, but I enjoyed it. The conditions were very different to what I am used to, but that didn't put me off. I really hope I have done well."

Gareth Edwards, Head of Maths, added:

"Malton School, as a specialist maths school, has been taking part in this maths competition for many years. The students love the challenge: they find it exciting, stimulating and rewarding. I am sure every one of them secretly hopes they will achieve one of the awards."

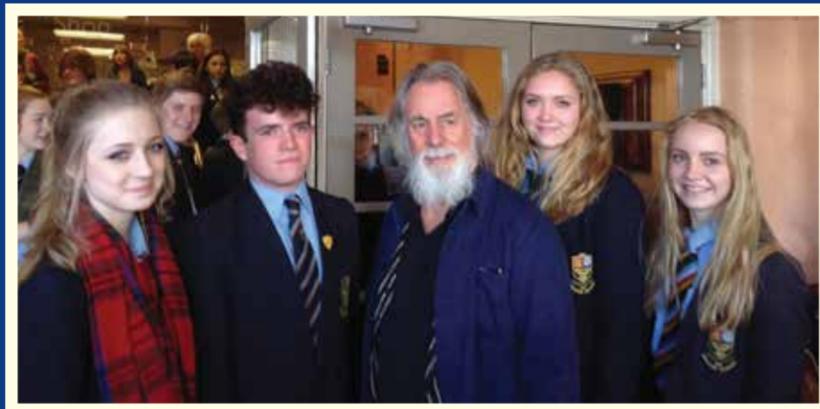


Philippa Harper, Charlotte Scott, Josh Bradley, Naomi Watson, Romy Freer, Lara Simpson. Picture courtesy of Gazette & Herald.

KING LEAR AND THE HISTORY BOYS

Thirty Year 10 English students went to watch Northern Broadsides perform a powerful version of King Lear at the Stephen Joseph Theatre in Scarborough. Using a minimalistic set, the production was lively and powerful, with some strong performances. A number of students seated on the front row had a particularly vivid experience of the play and for some it was their first experience of live theatre-in-the-round.

Meanwhile, Drama students, from Year 10 and 11, went to see The History Boys being performed in York by Pick Me Up theatre company. It was a chance to see something a little more light-hearted than other theatre visits and even inspired some very comical devised work as a result! Year 10 are now looking forward to seeing Romeo and Juliet next month.



Ellie Booth, Sam Carroll, King Lear (Barrie Rutter), Annise Bertucci and Charlie Armstrong.

HUSTINGS AT MALTON SCHOOL

A three-line whip for all sixth formers to attend, even those not yet 18, unsurprisingly resulted in an excellent turnout for the general election hustings at Malton School last month.

With over 100 students in the audience, all 7 prospective parliamentary candidates on the stage and a list of students ready to fire questions, Emily Metcalfe, Year 13, in the chair, had her work cut out to make sure that the audience had a say and no candidate talked for too long.

Questions from the floor covered a huge range of issues: close to home - fracking in Kirby Misperton and jobs in Ryedale; issues particularly relevant to students: tuition fees, student loans and apprenticeships; and the bigger political questions - tactical voting, the EU referendum and what it means to be British.

Ellie Thompson in Year 13 said:

"I enjoyed the event, much more than I thought I would actually. I particularly liked what one candidate said and the way he said it."

Will Grice, also in Year 13, added:

"I liked what one of the parties said they would do for young people."

Gary Howard, Government and Politics teacher, said:

"I'm delighted with how the event ran. There was a good humoured and intelligent presentation of ideas. Emily chaired it very well and the students relaxed and got involved. They asked lots of topical and thoughtful questions, really dispelling the notion that young people have little to say about politics."

A show of hands at the beginning and the end showed that all those who can vote, would be voting on May 7th. And from what they heard during the afternoon, at least two students had their minds changed about their voting intentions.



Joe Anderson asks a question.



Emily Metcalfe in the chair.

YOUTH SPEAKS

Think of public speaking and we can all feel the beads of sweat forming on our brow, the slight difficulty in swallowing and, for some, the uncontrollable muscle spasms in our legs. But every year brave young students in the area enter the Youth Speaks public speaking competition and stand up in front of a packed hall and present their argument.

Organised by the Rotary Club, schools participating this year included Lady Lumley's, Caedmon College, Ryedale School and Scarborough College.

This year Malton School entered three teams - junior, intermediate and senior. The Year 7 junior team was made up of Cameron Holmes, Marcus Raistrick and Alicia Davison. The team chose to talk about fracking, highlighting the positives and the negatives.

The intermediate team was made up of three Year 10 students: Izzy Grayson, Sam Holden and Barney Plews. Their topic was, The Teaching of Diversity and they spoke about whether or not schools did enough to recognise and value people's differences, including sexuality and race.



The intermediate, junior and senior teams.

Finally, Eleanor Green, Alice Walker and Thomas Thorn, Year 12 students, made up the senior team and their topic was, Qualified for Children. They posed the contentious question whether people should have to take a test to be allowed to have a child.

Although the teams were not successful this year in progressing to the next round, Barney Plews sums up perhaps why they take part:

"I really enjoy the competition. It builds my confidence and the experience gives me an important and useful life skill."

I CAN'T DO IT - YET.

Teachers in the school have been enthusiastically bedding-in an innovative and ground-breaking approach to learning and higher achievement. It is called Growth Mindset and it is about a focus on continual learning - asking what can I do better - rather than a focus on the reward or grade for each piece of work.

Parents were invited to a Parents' Forum to hear about it. Called, 'Building Confidence in your child', teachers Helen Wilson and Andy Hodgson explained in a practical, hands-on session the new whole-school strategy. They talked about what was happening in classrooms in the school, such as written feedback on marked work and the language used to boost confidence.

They suggested that positive language could be reinforced at home. So if you hear your child say, *I can't do it*, your response should end with - yet.

Helen Wilson explains: "This approach is stressing that success is not just about natural talent and ability, but also an open mind to learning. With the right mindset, teachers, parents and carers can encourage and support young people to feel happier in school and achieve at the same time."



The new Growth Mindset logo designed by Hannah Bowskill in Year 7 and voted for by the students.

£100,000 GIFT FROM FORMER STUDENT

Malton School has been bequeathed £100,000 by a former Head Girl.

Sheila Kathleen Pratt was a successful publisher and in 1987 became editor of the Law Society Gazette. She died age 81 in 2013. In her will she left £100,000 to the Malton School Fund, "for the general purposes of that fund". For the last 32 years of her life, Sheila lived in Picotts End, near Hemel Hempstead.

Sheila joined Malton Grammar School in 1943. She was noted as a high-flyer, and jumped from Form I to Form III at the end of her first year, age 11. In 1949 she was made Head Girl. She was one of twenty six students to achieve their School Certificate in 1947, and then in 1949 she was one of only four in her year to gain the Higher School Certificate.

She reconnected with Malton School in 1999 when former Deputy Head, Steve Fearnley, started up the Maltonian website, an extensive archive of documents, photographs and videos for former students and staff.

Rob Williams, Headteacher, said,

"It is just fantastic to think about the fondness and affection that former students like Sheila Pratt held for Malton School. Steve Fearnley's work is the vehicle for former students to stay in touch with us, and to share happy memories. The challenge for the school now is to generate the same affection in today's students, so that they in turn want to return, visit us and support us in any way they can."



Sheila Pratt on the middle row.

Student representatives in school are now busy talking to the students about the best way to commemorate Sheila Pratt, and spend her very generous legacy. Some suggestions so far include: a swimming pool, a fitness suite at the sports centre, a refurbished sixth form common room with bean bags and comfy chairs, and a covered wing path that join the two parts of the school. Staff have also been asked for their suggestions. The senior leadership team now need to cost the popular ideas to see what is possible with the money.

If anyone would like to access the school archives, The Maltonian website address is <http://maltonians.maltonschool.org/>

RASPBERRY PI WITH DR SCRIBBINS

Aspiring software engineers have had a lucky break over the last few months - a chance to learn about the Raspberry Pi microcomputer.

Every Monday lunchtime, trainee teacher Dr Steve Scribbins, and self-confessed computer geek, has been showing students how these computers, the size of a credit card, actually work. Steve has also spent time showing students how to design code for them using a language known as Python. The group has had fantastic fun coming up with ideas for experiments they could run using Python.



HIGH ACHIEVERS - OLIVIA ROBERTS

Olivia lives for dance; there is nothing else she wants more than to be a professional dancer and join a ballet company that performs up and down the UK. Well, she is well on her way to achieving her ambitious goal. In September, Olivia, in Year 11 and only just sixteen, will join the Northern Ballet School in Manchester on a scholarship.

It was when she was only 6 years old that Olivia first discovered her passion for dance, when she joined the Kirkham Henry Performing Arts Centre. Less than three years later she earned a scholarship to the Louise Brown Scholarship Centre in York.

Now, every Saturday, Olivia travels to the Northern Ballet Senior Associates in Leeds where she regularly performs, most recently on the stage at the West Yorkshire Playhouse.

In search of a post-16 opportunity, Olivia travelled the length and breadth of the UK from Scotland down to London and across to Manchester. During this search she secured a scholarship from the Dance and Drama Awards (DaDA). These national awards are made to students who display the most latent and potential talent at their audition. Olivia will be training at the Northern Ballet School in Manchester for three years.



Picture courtesy of Gazette & Herald.

EVERY LITTLE HELPS

Whether it's individual students acting alone to raise money, or the whole school coming together on a sponsored walk, there is an ethos of giving within Malton School - something we are particularly proud of. Over the last year alone, students, staff, parents and carers have helped to raise an enormous £9,000. Well, £8,814.37 to be precise. This is money that goes back into the school, money that is donated to national charities, and money that is given to support local organisations.

After witnessing the care the Marie Curie nurses gave her late grandfather, Kayla Cleworth in Year 8 felt that she needed to help the charity more so that they could help other families in their time of need. Kayla spends a day a month in the local Sainsbury's supermarket with her collecting tin. Earlier in the year, Scott Kemp in Year 7 nominated Malton School for Asda's green token vote and raised £50 for the school.

Every year students and staff find clever and creative ways to encourage others to donate. For Comic Relief in March, this included senior students having their legs shaved and a whole school conga around the school fields, led rather too enthusiastically (it might be said) by Rob Williams, Head teacher.

Just one local charity to benefit from fundraising, organised by Social Sciences teacher Karen Nichols, was Ryedale YMCA at The Sidings in Malton, which provides shelter for 16-25

year olds. The money we raised helped to fund Christmas presents and a Christmas lunch for all its young people. Other organisations we have recently supported include Malton Hospital, presenting a cheque to them for £376 in May, and Ryedale Special Families.

Finally, in an article on fundraising, it would be remiss not to give a plug to Malton School's superb PTA, chaired by Paul Tate-Smith. In two events alone, one week apart, the PTA managed to raise an impressive £1500 towards school coffers - from running the bar and raffle for the school production, Little Shop of Horrors, and from hosting the annual Sundella Quiz.



SOMETHING TO RELISH

Once again Malton School took part in this year's Malton Food Festival. Four Year 9 finalists, from an in-school bake-off competition, got to prepare their dish at Malton Cookery School on the Saturday morning of the weekend-long festival.

The four finalists taking part were Ava Campbell, Rebecca Bramley, Charlotte Cockerill and Louise Watson. They all created their own version of a millefeuille. Their brief was to, 'take some risks', and the students came up with a range of mouth-watering sweet and savoury combinations.

The big surprise was the guest judge. Prue Leith, author, cookery writer and more recently a judge on BBC2's 'The Great British Menu', arrived to give some advice to the students and choose a winner. She was very impressed by the standard of the dishes produced and gave some inspiring feedback to all of them.



Judge Prue Leith giving advice to Ava Campbell.



Charlotte Cockerill with her winning dish.

The overall winner was Charlotte Cockerill who produced, 'an outstanding millefeuille in both presentation and taste combinations.'

On the same day, it was also great to hear our very own Jazz Band perform a set on the main stage in the Market Place in the late afternoon sunshine.

IT'S YOUR CHOICE?



Year 11 and Year 12 students with Dr Joe Organ from Brasenose College, Oxford University.

Helping students from Year 9 upwards make the big decisions about what they want to do when they leave us, is crucial.

To whet their appetite and show them the choices out there for them, information, advice and guidance events are put on, day trips booked and speakers invited in.

In the spring term alone, the school ran a large and busy careers and apprenticeship event with local and national businesses, visited the Higher Education Conference at Ampleforth College, invited in Dr Joe Organ, from Brasenose College, Oxford University, to give a talk, put on a post-18 information evening and spent a day at Hull University.

In addition, whenever they need to, students can make an appointment to see our dedicated careers advisor, Gill Tate.

STUDENT PROFILE - A LEVEL ART

Three Year 13 Art students - Philippa Norman, Ellie Thompson and Steph Guest - have been adding the final brushstrokes to their astonishing masterpieces. The A Level course at Malton needs students to produce 6 pieces, plan and produce artwork through the year and draft an essay evaluating how they think they have done.

Jo Harmon, Head of Art, said,

"The students have worked tremendously hard as the deadlines have approached. Studying art is challenging and rewarding. Students make excellent progress, and can sometimes feel they can't do as much as they would like. They have to balance the time they have with the demands of their other courses."

Steph Guest reflects on her style:

"I love to paint landscapes and seascapes. I am an expressionist artist, rather than a perfectionist like Ellie. You often associate Ellie's style with portrait artists - their every detail has to be right."

All three students will be sad to finish this year. The art studio feels like their very own place, somewhere to relax as well as be creative. They all have plans in place for September: Ellie has an offer to do Fine Art at Newcastle University; Steph has a place at Bolton Institute to study painting and photography, and Philippa plans to study history, but it is possible she may do an art degree in the future.

If you would like to see the artwork produced by our talented GCSE and A Level art students, you are welcome to come along to the annual art exhibition held in East Wing on Thursday 2nd July 2015 at 6.30pm.



Steph Guest, Philippa Norman and Ellie Thompson with some of the work they have produced. Picture courtesy of Gazette & Herald.

EVERY MAN REMEMBERED

Just days before the UK marked the the 70th anniversary of the end of the Second World War in Europe (VE Day), Malton School made its annual pilgrimage to the First World War battlefields of the Somme and Ypres.

The 5 day study visit included visiting the preserved trenches and tunnels at Vimy Ridge, the Thiepval Memorial (the largest British war memorial in the world) and the Somme Battlefield. Finally, and poignantly, on the last full day in Belgium in the early evening, the group attended the Last Post ceremony at the Menin Gate Memorial to the Missing. Here Alice-Rose Anderson and Barney Plews laid a wreath on behalf of the school; Theo Harrison, Venetia Mitchell and Sam Holden laid a wreath on behalf of the Air Cadets.

Zac Davison, one of forty Year 10 students on the trip, said: "What was so astonishing for me was the colossal number of really young men who died during the Great War. They were not much older than me. And there are so many graves of unknown soldiers."

Megan Brunt, French and History teacher, said:

"There is no doubt that a visit to the battlefields of the First World War can have a real impact, going far beyond textbooks, documentaries and the best teaching. The students learn about war, loss and sacrifice by being there. Some stay very quiet while others are visibly moved."



Malton School students in the trenches at Sanctuary Wood and at the Thiepval Memorial.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 30 JUNE - OPEN DAY
- 2 JULY - ART EXHIBITION
- 17 JULY - SUMMER CONCERT

Everyone welcome.

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