



## Primary School Links

Baysgarth School is very proud of the relationships that it enjoys with the surrounding primary schools and we organise and enjoy many events that involve the students. Here is a selection of events from this year.

### Maths Project

“We were chosen by our maths teacher, Miss Kent, to produce and deliver a maths lesson to year 5 and 6 students from various schools. The topic was topology, which is the study of knots and surfaces within maths. We carried out the Mobius strip investigation which involved twisting and cutting paper, and looking at and comparing results, for example; different patterns. The primary school children worked very well and it was nice to see them working in a different environment. We were pleased we were chosen and would recommend this experience to anyone!”

Sophie Cook, Hannah Snell, Isaac Hall, George Thompson, Zoe Dixon.



### Literacy work with primary schools

Literacy coordinator Miss Pilley has been visiting primary schools with Mrs Codd, to work with year 6 pupils on literacy skills. Looking at characters and story openings, the students have produced some excellent and interesting work. Here is a selection of the pupils' work:

#### Jack Dickinson from Bowmandale

“Here I am, 2037 August 4th. I feel like the last one alive, although I have a few people on my side, you know that game, what is it...? Ah, LEFT 4 DEAD, yes, totally good game, turned into reality! There are 4 of us, Harry, Daniel, James and myself. We are the survivors, all 4 of us verses 15 billion zombies. They really need more zombies...”

#### Charlie Bowtle from Barton St Peters

“Aaron had never really liked Mondays. There were the usual reasons of course, the weekend was over, and he would have to go to school. But this Monday, 15th January 2953, stood out. This Monday he woke to the end of the world. It started slowly, and then the monsters arrived...”

### Connecting Schools

Mrs Gardner and Mrs Woodwood from Baysgarth School have organised a linking schools project with South Axholme School. Pupils from both schools in Year 7 supported classes have linked up and are now pen pals! Letters, photos and emails have passed between the two schools and pupils have enjoyed talking to pupils in a similar school in Doncaster. Mrs Gardner is now considering taking this further & linking with a school in Birmingham and maybe in Africa! If you have any links with schools abroad please contact her to discuss your ideas on: [sharon.gardner@baysgarthschool.co.uk](mailto:sharon.gardner@baysgarthschool.co.uk)

### DT, Jitterbug Project

At the beginning of June the Gifted and Talented ambassadors team (Taya Woodhouse, Kira Smith, Samantha



Frith, Jack Campbell, Jack Dunn) for the primary school days were set a challenge to teach pupils how to use the Economatics Control Station to control their electronic jitter bugs. We received one day's training in preparation for the actual teaching days and had to create a presentation, learn the tricks of the trade, teaching strategies, questioning styles, voice projection and lots of other things that teachers do without students realising.

First we taught Goxhill Primary School. Kira Smith and Taya Woodhouse were the first to present and teach the jitterbugs. According to the Goxhill teachers they did a really good job. On Monday 27th we taught Wootton and South Ferriby Primary Schools. According to the primary schools teachers most students said, ‘they thoroughly enjoyed the day and they didn't want to go back to school’. Jack Dunn and Jack Campbell presented to these schools and started off nervously but gained confidence as the teaching session progressed.

On Tuesday 28th the team presented the programming software to Ulceby. The school really enjoyed this day and went home very enthusiastic. This has been a great experience for all the team involved and we have all learnt new skills, including confidence when talking to big audiences, and how to teach large groups of children in a classroom situation. Jack Campbell stated, ‘I enjoyed the day but was nervous when it came to the teaching aspects’. Samantha Frith, ‘I enjoyed the teaching the most.’ Kira Smith ‘enjoyed helping the students’. Jack Dunn ‘liked the helping more than the presenting’ and Tanya Woodhouse ‘enjoyed all aspects of the day’.

Written By: Jack Dunn, Samantha Frith, Kira Smith, Taya Woodhouse and Jack Campbell.

### Games Evening

Around thirty year 6, soon to be year 7, students from Primary Schools in the local authority came to the Learning Resource Centre at Baysgarth School for an evening of fun and games and pizza! Their task was to design and create a board game for their chosen audience using the resources available. Each group then presented their finished product and explained the rules of the games. Mr Scruton and Miss Pilley had the difficult task of choosing the winners. Everyone worked so hard to produce a game and had worked in their teams very well.

These evenings give a unique opportunity for students to meet their peers in a social environment and are especially beneficial for students from the village primary schools. They gain confidence and learn more about what extra-curricular activities that the school and in particular the LRC has to offer.

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