

# The Warwickian



Lent 2018



## Easter Chicks

Chicks hatch in Warwick Junior School

# Letter from the Head Master



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## Welcome to the Warwickian

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## Dear Parents/Guardians

An Upper Fourth parents' evening, a haunting school production of *The Curse of Cranholme Abbey*, a Chamber Music Concert, two rugby semi-finals at Allianz Park, a fourth round hockey match against the formidable Repton School, an Anthony Nolan drop-in centre, and the start of a week's exchange visit from Chaminade College, Missouri are just a few highlights of last week alone!

I cannot therefore begin to list all the activities and achievements from the entire term in this letter, but hopefully the unfolding pages will reveal much of what has been happening here.

As we strive to be the most inspiring, rounded and caring boys' school in the UK it is not always the 'headline hitting' stories of which I am most proud (although 17 offers from Oxford and Cambridge universities and another national title in the Schools U18 Rugby Cup Final at Twickenham are pleasing!).

Whilst I admit to not really understanding much of what our scientists and mathematicians do, I am full of admiration for their tremendous achievements in various Olympiads and competitions. We have huge numbers of boys taking part in these challenges and each year they improve upon the number of awards achieved. We also have boys finishing extremely high up in these competitions which offer them additional enrichment opportunities, including Sixth Former Douglas Boyle's Roentgenium Award resulting in his day at Goldsmith's Hall.

Younger students, Daniel Jenks-Berryman (Lower Fourth) and Harry Colliver (Junior School), spent a day in the department of Computer Science at the University of Oxford, following their top 50 finish in a national computing competition.

I am relieved to say I was just about able to sleep after seeing *The Curse of Cranholme Abbey*, a disturbing and fast-moving ghost story. It was an ambitious project, only the second production of this new play, seen in Edinburgh last summer, and was only made possible through direct contact with the playwright himself. One of our key strategic aims is to be A National Centre for the Arts and this determination to try new things demonstrates our strength in this area. The first Warwick School Arts Festival, planned for July, will definitely showcase ambition and creative thinking.

Another thread of our strategic plan is to Serve our Community. Warwick School has a long history of working with charities near and far, most obviously working with them to raise money. We are also keen for our students to have a sense of duty and to seek to improve the world around them. This was never more evident than in the Sixth Form centre one recent Monday lunchtime. Having listened to a presentation on bone marrow and blood donation from the charity Anthony Nolan, over eighty Sixth Form boys came to the Sixth Form Centre to sign onto the donor register. I am extremely proud of each and every person who signed up.

Happy Easter to one and all!

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**STOP PRESS:** Congratulations to the Clay Pigeon Shooting Warwick A team on winning the Schools Challenge Cup against stiff national competition from 28 teams. *Report to follow in the next issue...*

# Academic news

## Highest Oxbridge Offers for 30 Years

This year Warwick School has 17 students who have received offers from Oxford or Cambridge University. This is the highest number for at least 30 years.

Despite intense competition, students from Warwick School have accumulated this impressive number of offers from both universities and across many subjects.

### Oxford Offers

**Anurag Choksey**, Medicine, Somerville College  
**David Crowther (OW)**, Modern History, Open Offer  
**Theo McAuliffe**, Biochemistry, New College  
**Gautham Rao**, Medicine, St Peter's College  
**Andrew Tinkler**, Chemistry, Open Offer  
**Jacob Weeks**, Modern History, St Hugh's College  
**Archie Whitby**, French and Russian, The Queen's College

### Cambridge Offers

**Joseph Barnes**, English, Magdalene College  
**Douglas Boyle**, Computer Science, Churchill College  
**Joshua Brown**, Mathematics and Physics, Trinity College

**James Keay**, Medicine, Homerton College  
**Ken Man**, Natural Sciences (Biochemistry), Gonville and Caius College  
**Will Scrivens**, Land Economy, Girton College  
**George Simms**, German and Russian, Gonville and Caius College  
**Edward Macro**, Archaeology, Downing College  
**Bryden Yip**, Economics, Churchill College  
**Sam Young**, Music, Trinity College

## Top Computing

Huge congratulations to **Daniel Jenks-Berryman** (Lower Fourth) and **Harry Colliver** (Junior School Third Year) on being placed in the top 50 of the country, from 40,000 entries in their age category (10-12 years), of the UK BEBRAS competition (aimed to promote computational thinking).



### Chemistry Success

Finishing in the top 50 of the 7,000 chemists who entered the 2017 Cambridge Chemistry Challenge for Lower Sixth, **Douglas Boyle**, was awarded a roentgenium\* medal.

He was invited to give a presentation at Goldsmith's Hall in London at the Roentgenium Medallists' Award Ceremony and to receive his medal. Douglas chose to give a presentation on technetium; an unstable d-block metal formed in the radioactive decay of uranium.

\* Roentgenium is a synthetic element, first produced in 1994 and named after Wilhelm Röntgen, discoverer of X-rays!



As a result of their top performance, both boys attended the UK BEBRAS finals held in the Department of Computer Science at the University of Oxford.

The day included taking part in the final round, facing challenging questions, probing problem-solving skills and attending lectures from Professor Peter Millican, covering topics such as how AI might be a real problem for humanity. The students also had tours of Hertford and Merton Colleges, with the final presentations being made in Hertford College chapel.

# Junior School news

## Easter Chicks

Warwick Junior School once again took part in a *Living Eggs* project, in which the school is provided with an incubator and eggs ready to hatch.

Our boys loved watching the eggs hatch both live, in the classroom, and via the webcam. The link was even 'tweeted' and the live feed watched by many!

Once hatched the chicks are re-homed by *Living Eggs*.



Jake (Third Year) with one of the new chicks.

## Urban Dance | with Urban Strides

The Upper Two boys from the Junior School and the Upper One girls from the Prep School had their first ever experience of some pretty cool Street Dancing.



The pupils were under the tuition of fabulous instructor, Jenny Bramley, who dances professionally with the well-known Street Dance Group 'Urban Strides'. She spent all day preparing the boys and girls for a short street dance performance which was given to the parents. The boys were taught many different dance steps that they will be able to use in their Performing Arts project this term.

The whole day was amazingly energetic and such good fun to do. We will definitely be asking 'Urban Strides' back again!



## Towers | Outdoor Education Centre

The Third Year boys once again went to the Towers Outdoor Education Centre for their Snowdonia adventure. Whilst always great fun, it is also a challenge for both staff and boys.

The boys climbed Moel Siabod, the highest mountain in the Moelwynion range at 872m. Making it to the top is quite a feat, especially in winter conditions. Whilst they may not have stayed too long on the summit, the boys can be amazingly proud of their achievements.



These achievements may have been overcoming fears or completing physical challenges. It may have been how resilient the boys proved to be or how brave they were when faced with new demands. For many the discipline of organising themselves, listening to instructions and sorting out their wet kit at the end of the day will have helped them take a huge step towards independence.

## HELP Appeal

We were delighted to welcome Mr Robert Bertram, the grandfather of Charlie Graham (Lower Two) to our assembly. Mr Bertram volunteers and helps fundraise for the HELP Appeal, providing helicopter landing pads at hospitals throughout the country.

Mr Bertram told the boys about the work of the charity and how their money would be spent. Daniel Oliver (Drake House Captain) and William Robson (Drake Charity Leader) joined Charlie, who proposed HELP to Drake House, to hand over the cheque for £509.



## Rugby Sevens

This term has been busy with Rugby Sevens. We hosted the 27th Warwick Sevens Festival inviting some of the leading rugby schools around the country. The nature of rugby festivals has changed in recent years with no overall winner. The day provides a chance for the boys to play a number of games against some far-flung opposition.

Our Third Year boys found their pool of matches quite a challenge managing a win and a draw and losing the other games. In a football term with limited opportunity to practise rugby, they played with great spirit and enthusiasm.

Our Upper Two boys made the long journey to Shrewsbury for their Sevens Festival. Whilst the headline of five wins and three losses may represent a successful day, it was frustrating to lose a couple of close games.



Third Year boys at Warwick Sevens

## Best History Lesson Ever!

Our First Years were lucky enough to be able to visit the archaeological dig that took place on the Project One Campus site.

Equipped with their hard hats and hi-visibility jackets, the boys entered the excavations via a turnstile checkpoint. Archaeologists were busy at work; digging, measuring and sketching their finds. The Site Manager explained how the builders first discovered the remains, and the archaeologist, showed the boys the evidence of the huge Roman barn. The boys were able to handle some of the pottery finds that had only just been dug up and found it incredible to think that the last person to handle the pottery was very likely to have been a Roman!



## World Book Day

We were delighted to have two author visits to mark World Book Day.

### Cressida Cowell

In anticipation of World Book Day, boys in the top three year groups were joined by Prep School girls for the visit of Cressida Cowell, the author of the 'How to Train Your Dragon' series and the recently published 'The Wizards of Once'.



Cressida talked to the boys about how she used her surroundings to help fire her imagination. She described the writing of a story as a similar process to concocting a huge lie! To make the story more convincing, she advised the boys to focus on small details. She encouraged them to draw a map of their imaginary lands as the map would help to link ideas in their stories. By giving the settlements and features interesting names, other aspects of a potential storyline would come to mind.

She advised the boys to look toward nature for inspiration. Many of her fantastic creatures were inspired by her interest in the incredible diversity of the natural world.



### Geronimo Stilton

The First Year boys came to school dressed either as Egyptians or as Geronimo Stilton, and there were some fantastic outfits - book prizes were awarded to three boys from each form.

The aim was to celebrate World Book Day and engage the boys with reading and Ancient Egypt, linked to Geronimo's book 'The Curse of the Cheese Pyramid'. The boys demonstrated an awe-inspiring knowledge of Egypt, followed by some very impressive reading. There were multiple arts and crafts activities - creating Pharaoh death masks, designing a cheese pyramid or creating an Egyptian dress collar. The day ended in style with Geronimo arriving for book signings and photographs.



# Trips



## Ski Trip | Sansicario

Thirty-eight boys embarked on the Lent half-term ski trip to Sansicario. After a very smooth and relatively short journey, the party arrived in Sansicario and had time to have a look around before being fitted with skis and boots at the Olympic Centre, where Olympians were housed during the 2006 Winter Olympics.

The next day, beautiful blue skies and wide-open, empty pistes, ideal to practise carving turns, welcomed the group. This weather continued for three days and the beginner group were soon up to facing their first chair lifts, followed by their first black run. Our superb instructors comprising para-olympians and World Cup racers, ensured everyone got some excellent tips on how to improve.

The close proximity of resorts in the Milky Way ski area, meant boys visited Sauze d'Oulx, Sestriere and Sansicario, before the 'away day' to Montgenèvre. Boys enjoyed a pizza evening and bumboarding, as well as a quiz night and an evening of karaoke.

Great fun was had by all and the boys deserve great credit for their immaculate behaviour and spirit. Look out for next year's trip coming soon!





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Warwick Junior School



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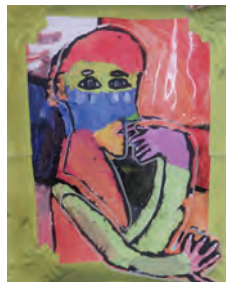
## Exhibition of Young Local Artists

Warwick School's 'Exhibition of Young Local Artists', was established in 1985 and started with just five schools. Thirty-three years on, the exhibition has grown and this year, 28 local primary schools took part.

This event brings together local primary schools to celebrate art and showcase young talent.

The array and diversity of the pieces exhibited is phenomenal, from 'Abstract Portrait' to 'Quarters'; 'Felted Poppy Fields' to 'Skateboard Deck Designs'.

There was a wonderful display of work on show and on 3 February the young artists and their families gathered for the 'Opening Ceremony'. The exhibition ran for the week, where the public were able to come and view the extraordinary range of artwork on show.



### Art Prize

Congratulations to Ben Lewis (U6Go), who has been shortlisted for the Ironstone Art Prize at Banbury Museum.

Ben's work has been influenced by the Bauhaus Movement and the idea of minimising things down to a simplistic style and function. In addition, after looking at Kandinsky's Dancing Theories, and works, Ben realised how much variety there really can be in abstracting. His works can be seen all together as a group of 16 separate sketches.



# Music

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# Jazz @ The Bridge

Jazz@the Bridge is yet another highlight in the school calendar.

Once again the audience was treated to a wonderful performance from many of our Jazz Bands in the annual Jazz@The Bridge concerts.

As ever, our musicians entertained the full houses with their dexterity, verve and panache.



## House Music Competition

The annual House Music Competition proved to be a very enjoyable evening with plenty of talent on display.

The results were:

Best Junior Solo	Tudor, Jacob Zhang
Best Senior Solo	Guy, Dan Buxton
Best Group Vocal	Brooke, Rishab Mohan/Josh Twemlow
Best Group Instrumental	Tudor, with Taha Elamin
Best Accompaniment	Guy, Sam Young
Best Conductor	Brooke, Rishab Mohan
Best Compère	Leycester, Noah Saxton/Barnaby Ducker
Special Prize	Brooke, Josh Hill for his own arrangement of the Lion King
Most Entertaining House	Guy
Winning House	Brooke

# Drama

## The Curse of Cranholme Abbey

By Tim Norton



We were delighted to have the opportunity to deliver the first school production of *The Curse of Cranholme Abbey* by Tim Norton. Tim very kindly gave us access to the original set, text and sound cues (over 100 of them!).

For several years we have co-directed school shows with senior students. This year Anna Smith and Ollie Ritchie joined Mr Perry, with great creativity and organisation throughout.

Three periods of the Abbey's history intertwine and combine to create a very engaging ghost story. Our contemporary characters find themselves quickly discovering the past by answering the phone to characters in 1943 and watching the curse destroying the Victorian Countess. They then become the target of the source of the curse; a wronged child, played by Cameron Thomas, who chillingly brought the character to life.

Sam Bain, Josh Simango, Kai Nwangwa and Will Green led the contemporary story with energy and great enthusiasm, whilst Will Callan, Marcus Acquari and Will Richards brought us the war-time events, with captivating character. Charles Atkinson played the work-obsessed original master of the house, supported by Sam Gayler's superb Doctor and Will Parsons as the gardener whose desire to warn the countess triggered the play's events.

The boys, alongside outstanding performances from the King's High girls, were superbly supported by a large company offering choric speaking, overlapping voices and whispers which really brought a chill to the atmosphere especially during the climax of the play when they entered the auditorium and crept behind the audience, who were really appreciative of this outstanding production.

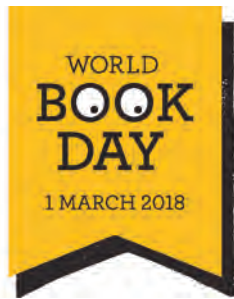


Drama

## World Book Day

For World Book Day, the English Department, Library and Junior School held various activities. These included reading a 'Story in a Day', a book treasure hunt, quizzes, and the Junior School Author visits (See page 5).

In the Library the biggest attraction was the 'Guess the Weight of the Book' competition which had Sixth Formers queuing up alongside younger pupils. Even boys from the Middle and Upper Fifth, who are not usually in the Library, were spotted adding their guesses to the list. Maybe the prize of a very large Easter egg was the incentive!



## UK Linguistics Olympiad

Twelve boys entered the UK Linguistics Olympiad, which involves working out how various languages operate from a limited set of examples.

Tasks this year included Vietnamese (which builds up meanings from a smallish stock of words, so volcano is literally 'fire-mountain'; petal is 'flower-wing'; pollen is 'flower-dust'), and Pame - a numbering system used by only about 5,000 people in a province in Mexico (it's essentially in base 8).

Robert Brown, Alex MacKay, Archie Whitby, David Yates all gained bronze awards.

Joshua Brown gained a silver award.

Well done all!



## Student Investors

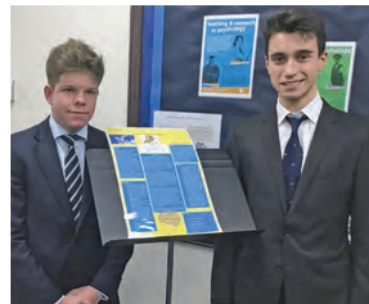
Nearly 100 of our Upper Fifth and Sixth Formers entered the National Student Investor Competition last term with each team of four selecting a portfolio of commonly traded FTSE stocks. A creditable six Warwick School teams made the cut, as 300 of the 5000 nationally entered teams got through the first round to the ongoing semi-finals.

*Stock the Week* (Theo Barnes, Max Bottomley, Archie Hurley, Guy Mullan), started very well, leading the national rankings briefly. However fickle market conditions have pulled them back and *Midas Touch* (Alec Steeley, Rahul Bains, Jonathan Varnish, Jimin Lee) is now close to the top, with *Wemissmrgraham* not far off the pace. The semi-finals finish shortly, and the top eight teams will go through to the final, with a trip to New York on offer for the eventual winners.

## Psychological Research

To consolidate pupils' learning of the Biopsychology and Research Methods topics, Upper Sixth Psychology students were tasked with designing, creating and presenting their own psychological research. In pairs, students formulated hypotheses, conducted literature reviews of existing research and designed methodologies. The research proposals were designed into attractive posters and exhibited to students, teachers and the Head Master.

The judges awarded the coveted first prize of Nando's vouchers to George Stevens and Tom MacDonald, for their research examining the relationship between IQ and dementia.



Tom MacDonald and George Stevens.

Second prize went to Daniel Murray and Oliver Ritchie's investigation of Huntington's Disease. Joshua Kearns and Matthew Paden scooped third prize for their study of brain damage in professional football players.



Daniel Murray and Oliver Ritchie.

## Brain Day

Lower Sixth Psychology students participated in 'Brain Day', and gained a fascinating insight into the workings of Neuropsychology. Dr Guy Sutton, Director of Medical Biology Interactive and Assistant Professor at the University of Nottingham, Medical School, delivered the programme, presenting challenging theories and contemporary issues in Neuroscience.

Students studied the effects of different drugs on the brain and learnt about fascinating criminal case studies which illustrated the complex interaction between our life experiences and structural changes in neuronal connections.

A sheep brain dissection followed, providing pupils with a rare opportunity to see and touch regions such as the hippocampus and the cerebellum. Students certainly gained a deeper understanding of how Psychology is implemented in the real world.



Alex Green and Jonathan Ip.

# Collaboration

## El Día de San Valentín King's High and Warwick School Speed Chat Event

Fourteen eager Upper Fourths and twelve Year 8 girls from King's High, took part in our first ever 'speed chat' where they practised their Spanish conversational skills, exchanging names, ages and, information on where they live, on brothers, sisters and pets.

It was great fun and an excellent spring-board for further similar events involving all three languages and assorted year groups.



## Mr and Miss

Warwick Junior School Third Year boys visited Warwick Prep School where they read their Mr Men and Little Miss books to the Lower Twos.

In their English lessons last term, our Third Year boys adopted the writing style of Roger Hargreaves and created their own Mr Men or Little Miss books using the Book Creator app on the iPads.

They had to devise a character, develop a problem then write a story which contained a lesson or moral. It has been lovely for our boys to have a real audience with whom to share their amazing work. The younger girls and boys seemed to thoroughly enjoy the stories that were shared with them.

## On Trial

A team of Warwick boys and King's High girls took part in the Independent Schools' Mock Trial Competition at Birmingham Crown Court. The team played the roles of barristers, witnesses, court clerks, and members of the jury, and presented their cases against teams from other schools. The pupils were able to learn directly about the legal system and to develop their debating and public speaking skills.

Our team did superbly and received well deserved praise from each judge in front of whom, they performed. Well done to Milan Oakland, Rudy Yuen, Thomas Magraw, Jonty Wood, George Eames Matthews and Freddy Gretton.

*"The Mock Trial at Birmingham Crown Court was one of the most intimidating yet rewarding things I have ever done. After countless attempts, in the weeks beforehand, to perfect our various techniques in cross examination of witnesses and after hours spent practising our speeches, the big day finally arrived for us to perform. The team from Warwick and King's High entered the court room and we could feel the history and the impending gravity of the situation in which many defendants must have found themselves.*

*Dressed in our wigs and gowns, we took our seats. The jury filed in, staring at us in our unifying attire, but before we had time to feel awkward the court rose for the entrance of the Judge, resplendent in full wig and robes, he sat high above the Court.*

*With two of the three teams getting the verdict we wanted I will always remember and think back to what a great day it was and what an honour it was to be in the Warwick/King's High team.."* Milan Oakland (M5T)



## Talking Politics

The Politics Society welcomed Lord Norton of Louth, to talk about 'Brexit and the Constitution'.



Described as 'the UK's greatest living expert on Parliament' and 'a world authority on constitutional issues, students from Warwick School, King's High School and Myton School benefited from his inspirational talk.

# News & events

## Careers

### Business Lunches

This academic year has seen our business lunch programme as strong as ever with a huge range of visiting speakers talking to our students. All boys, Upper Fifth and above, are strongly encouraged to look out for these talks and sign up to those of interest.

#### Finance and Investment | by Alex Harrold U5

A finance and investment talk was given by Robert Vaudry, investment Managing Director at Wesleyan, a company managing £7 billion pounds worth of assets.

Mr Vaudry spoke of his wide and varied career managing award-winning global funds, holding global roles for both HSBC and Morgan Stanley, as well as serving as political secretary to former Prime Minister, Edward Heath. His new challenge at Wesleyan will be challenging; he alluded to an impending stock bear-market (the continual falling in stock prices) in the FTSE.

It was intriguing to hear his predictions of a looming new Tory leader, the rise of emerging economies, HS2 taking business out of London and putting it in Birmingham, and of course inevitably, Brexit. All of these possible events have knock-on effects in terms of currencies and stocks, and therefore it is invaluable to anticipate their future impact.

I would strongly recommend going to any of these talks if you are looking for career advice.

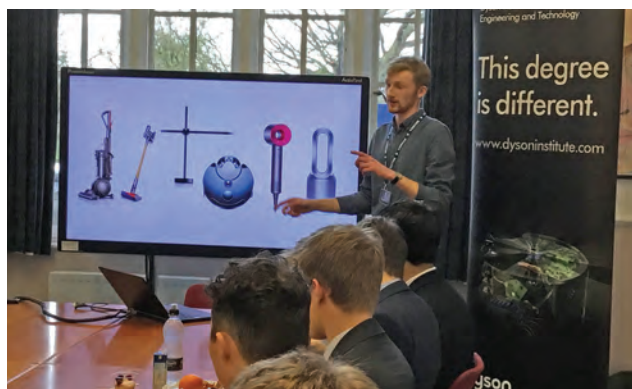


#### The Foreign Dimension | Careers in International Affairs

Over a business lunch, Warwick School boys listened to a presentation from Andrew Woodcock, OW and a former Foreign Office and European Parliament official. Andrew discussed the merits of an international career and how such opportunities are not restricted to working for the Foreign Office. Indeed, banking; law and NGOs (non-government organisations) all offer jobs abroad outside global politics. Andrew also gave us an insight into his wide-reaching career and his highlights of working within the civil service. Overall, it was a fantastic talk and boys left with a clearer idea of what it means to work on the global stage.

#### A Career in Design

Robbie Hoare, OW and Design Engineer at Dyson, delivered a fantastic business lunch presentation to pupils 'Designing for the Future, an insight into the Product Design Industry'.



David, pictured second from left, on one of his many expeditions!

### It's Golden!

Huge congratulations to David Holroyd (U6D) who has been invited to Buckingham Palace for the next Gold Award Presentation, along with 11 Old Warwickians.

David is the first Warwick student to receive his Gold Award whilst still being at school. To get to this point, he has completed Bronze, Silver and Gold - a total of 4 years' commitment, including 24 months of volunteering, 12 months of sport and 21 months of skill, plus 5 days on a narrow boat with 7 other students from other schools, and a total of 18 days out on expedition (according to his route cards he walked a total of 296 km over the course of the three levels of DofE).

This is a simply outstanding achievement. Well done David.



## Mardi Gras | Fat Tuesday

Mardi Gras is French for 'Fat Tuesday' and the date we know as Shrove Tuesday. Our Year 7 students held a Mardi Gras competition to mark the occasion. Carnival masks adorned with green (faith), gold (power) and purple (justice) were judged by the Languages dept and our Head of Art, Mr Ramsay, whilst the boys enjoyed beignets and crêpes!



## Scuba Diving

These boys are preparing for their PADI Open Water certificate. Once qualified they will be able to dive anywhere in the world.

They have done all their training in the pool, but now have to put these skills into practise in the cold waters of Stoney Cove (where they will dive down to a depth of 15m).

## Top Speakers

Congratulations to the Warwick School team on winning the Rotary Youth Speaks Competition, in the Senior Class.



Michael Cox spoke on why we should be proud to be British, ably supported by Joe Danter in the chair and Tom Park providing the Vote of Thanks. Good luck in the next round!

## Charity

total raised this academic year

£10,499.08



## Money Mazes

Students helped raise money for the NSPCC by bringing in spare change to create the most difficult-to-solve maze possible, organised by the Sixth Form Maths Mentors, and judged by our very own Mr O'Grady.

The winning tutor group was L5G, with U5L coming a close second. A 'Guess The Number of Sweets in the Jar' competition was also held, with Freddie Turner (U4S) taking the prize with the closest estimate. In total, just over £300 was raised for the NSPCC - thank you to everyone who participated!



## Be a Hero

Warwick School is delighted to be part of the 'Be a Hero Project', an education programme run by the charity, Anthony Nolan, which saves and improves lives of people with blood cancer.

The 'Be a Hero' team came in to speak to the Sixth Form about blood, organ and bone marrow donation. On the same day boys were invited to a drop in session in the Sixth Form Centre to find out more and encouraged to sign up to the donor register. Signing up involved completion of a form and submission of a cheek swab.



The response was overwhelming with 84 boys signing up there and then, and others still to follow. The Anthony Nolan team was delighted, particularly as they desperately need more males on the register, men only make up 15% of the register but are half of their actual donors.

Thank you all.



## Swimming Success

Warwick School competed in the Bromsgrove Gala at U15 and U18 level. Both age groups entered the two categories 4 x 50m freestyle and 4 x 50m medley and qualified for the finals in their respective categories.

The U18's consisted of Kieran Speechley, Max Plumb (both swimming up an age group), Louis Clarke and Anakin Chan. Whilst the boys did not place, they put in a fantastic performance and it was great to see them qualify for the final.

The U15's swam excellently, Joe Hood, Morgan Evans, Oliver Hunt and Adam West were fantastic and brought home two trophies. The U15 boys won both the 4 x 50m freestyle and 4 x 50m medley; making Warwick the only school to come away with two wins.

Well done to all eight boys.

## Congratulations to:

**Our Water Polo players: Luke Dyson**, Warwick School's U18 Water Polo Captain, on his selection to represent the West Midlands Region in the U18 Inter-Regional Championships. Luke is now hoping to be shortlisted for the U19's NAGS (National Age Group Championships) tournament.

**Joe Hood**, who represented the East Midlands in the U18 Inter-Regional Championships.

**James Pagan** who represented the victorious West Midlands U14 team.

**Cian Tyler** who made his international football debut for Wales U16 at the recent UEFA Development tournament held in Greece.

**Alex Ford (M5S)** who qualified for the finals of the European Junior Open golf tournament. Alex earned his place finishing third in the Midlands qualifier and was invited to Champions Week Finals in Spain. There were 88 boys playing in the U18 competition, the majority of whom were 16/17 year olds. Alex finished tied 18th in the end.



## Hockey News

The 1st XI progressed to the fourth round (last 16) of the national cup, after winning 3-0 against Rugby School, and had to play the next round the very next day.

In the last 16, the Warwick players faced Repton School, acutely aware that the last time they faced this school, with an outstanding reputation for hockey, they suffered a 9-0 defeat. Warwick knew they would have to be at their best and put in a very strong performance, however a couple of missed chances, and a talented Repton forward line resulted in a 4-1 defeat.

Sadly, Warwick missed out on a last 8 place in this national cup, but deserve to be proud of their progress in this competition and of their performance against a strong Repton side.

Next term, sees the Hockey Presentation Evening, 19 April at 6.30pm, tickets are available from Mr Wade.



The 1st XI Vs Rugby School.



The U15B team | Winners of the Shield. It was muddy!

## Rugby Sevens

We hosted our 49th annual Sevens Tournament this term. Rugby talent came from far and wide across the country, with 30 schools competing in 200 matches. It is the second largest Sevens tournament in terms of numbers playing, which was around 800 boys this time!

It was an extremely muddy day of fantastic, competitive rugby with cup wins from Sedbergh (U16s), Millfield (U15s) and Wellington College (U14s).

Warwick performed really well across the age groups with semi-final losses for the U16s and U15s, whilst the U14s lost in the quarter-final. The U13s and U12s won 5 out of 6 games (no winners in these age groups).

# Warwick School Crowned Champions - Again!



The team respond to supporters with the Warwick Wave.

The 1st XV secured their place in the final of the Schools Cup after a 15-10 win against Whitgift at Allianz Park. The team faced QEGS, Wakefield in the Twickenham final to defend their U18 national title. Having played each other at three consecutive U15 finals (2013 - 2015), both teams had boys in this final who had played each other at U15 level.

The match did not disappoint, with Warwick starting strongly, and despite a stoic QEGS defence, Kieran Curran touched down to put Warwick 5-0 up. This was shortly followed by a Tom Fawcett try, converted by Fred Lowe. QEGS then came back, and put 7 points on the board. Another try (Alex Sabin) gave Warwick a 17-7 lead at half-time. Tom Fawcett scored his second try, converted by Henry Mortimer and put Warwick 24-7 ahead with 15 minutes to play. With two minutes remaining Max Roberts sealed the victory with Warwick's fifth try and a final score of 29-7.



Fawcett ploughs through the opposition.

QEGS put in a strong performance, however the Warwick side played at their absolute best, earning the thoroughly deserved title of national champions, for the second consecutive year.

Warwick School's history in the Schools Cup competition is hugely impressive, having made eight appearances at the Twickenham Finals and securing the national title on five occasions. Since 2013, Warwick School has had one or both teams at the finals every year, except one, and secured four national titles.

Congratulations to every single person involved in this huge success, including the 'blue and white' supporters, whose presence at Twickenham is always made known!



National Champions! Photo: schoolsportsphotography.co.uk

## U15 Semi-Finalists

The Warwick U15 team was heartbroken after the dramatic ending to their semi-final against Manchester Grammar School, losing 22-21. The team however deserve huge congratulations on their outstanding run in this national competition.



Alfie Whiteley carries ball, Jack Waterworth and Elliot Tanner in support.

# Project One Campus

## Roman Settlement

Whilst Warwick School has always celebrated a long history, little did we know that we are situated on the site of a Roman Settlement! The remains of a previously unknown Roman building have been discovered during Project One Campus building works on the Banbury Road, at Warwick School.

Wall foundations for a large aisled structure the size of a medieval church have been uncovered by Warwickshire County Council's team of archaeologists, who carried out a thorough investigation on site.



Roman remains | The western end of the barn



**Archaeology Warwickshire's Principal Archaeologist, Stuart Palmer, said:** "The building probably forms a component of a large villa estate, which must have spread along the banks of the Avon and been connected to the Roman road system. Early indications suggest it developed in the 2nd Century AD and probably went out of use in the 4th Century. This new discovery will put Roman Warwick firmly on the map."

We have also taken the opportunity to, we hope, inspire budding archaeologists for generations to come.

The remains of the building will be preserved under the new campus and plans are being developed to bring the results of the work to a wider audience in the form of displays and educational materials, as well as a formal archaeological report.

This discovery will become part of the history of the new school building and of the Foundation as a whole.

## Inspiring Students

The archaeological discovery has been shared with our students including our Senior School Classicists, as well as the Junior School boys.



The First Year boys were amazed to find themselves standing in the midst of a large Roman settlement.

The project has also provided the opportunity to give students at Warwick and King's High a first-hand experience of learning about Architecture, Construction, Planning, Surveying and Property.



At a Careers Workshop, the team behind Project One - architects, quantity surveyors and contractors - took students through the entire process of a major build, from client brief, to project completion. Students had the chance to see the process made real, as they stood on the terrace of the Halse Pavilion and viewed the new King's High building - rising fast - in front of them.



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