



The VOICE

Newsletter for Malet Lambert School students and parents



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A message from the Headteacher

Another busy and successful term with many varied extra-curricular opportunities for pupils.

The school has been particularly favoured by the many sporting achievements this term. All the teams have done so well with most achieving top places both locally and nationally.

The school hosted a wonderful international day with representatives from many faiths and diverse countries sharing their cultures with us. It was exciting and uplifting to see the shared sense of purpose, the laughter and the better understanding this event brought to us.

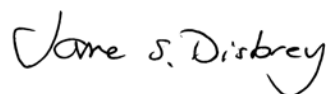
The pupils and staff are working very hard and, for Year 11, this is an especially busy time as they prepare for their final examinations. These exams are

a key right of passage for their future and we are all supporting and encouraging them.

The school is open for Year 11 students' revision over Easter and we look forward to seeing them achieve well in the Summer as the result of relentless effort and determination.

We all look forward to both Easter and the Summer beyond. Let us optimistically hope for great weather and an Easter egg to nibble!

Happy Easter!



Mrs Disbrey and the Malet Lambert Team



School awarded inclusion Centre of Excellence status

Malet Lambert School is proud to have been awarded a prestigious Inclusion Quality Mark and been recommended as a Centre of Excellence for best practice.

The Inclusion Quality Mark (IQM) is given to schools which show how the teaching and learning, achievements, attitudes and well-being of every young person matter. An educationally inclusive school ensures it offers new opportunities to pupils who may have experienced previous difficulties and it takes account of pupils' varied life experiences and needs.

Following the award of this mark, Malet Lambert has also been designated as a Centre of Excellence - a school which can be a benchmark for best practice in inclusion for other schools in the UK.

The IQM report highlighted the excellent approach to inclusion by staff and the great feedback received from all in the school community.

IQM assessor, Stephanie Robinson, said, "I was particularly impressed by the approach of the IQM Coordinator, the Senior Leadership Team and the

Headteacher. There was enthusiasm within the team of practitioners, including the pastoral team and teaching assistants, whose role and contribution is valued.

"I received a consistently positive response from children, parents and staff. The school governor was supportive and recognised the importance of inclusion.

"Children with a variety of needs are welcomed at Malet Lambert; parents appreciate the support their children have been given to enable them to progress. Positive behaviour is encouraged through the consistent use of the school's behaviour policy."

Deputy headteacher, Mr Sprakes, said, "We very much enjoyed applying for and being assessed for the Inclusion Quality Mark. It gave us the opportunity for self-review and reflection as well as celebrating the good practice we already have in place.

"We were extremely happy to qualify for 'Centre of Excellence' status and we look forward to building upon our success and developing even further whilst collaborating with other schools."



Cooking up a little love

Just before half term, Malet Lambert held a Valentine's Day cake sale to raise money for a Yorkshire charity, the Children's Heart Surgery Fund.

Volunteers brought in homemade cakes and sold them at break time for as little as 20p each. In all, over £210 was raised in just 15 minutes, which is a fantastic achievement!



Careers Week 2015

Careers Week 2015 at Malet Lambert was jam-packed full of inspirational activities and talks to get our students thinking seriously about their future after school.

Over five days, we welcomed colleges and training providers, the armed forces, universities, local and national companies and even a national broadcaster.

Business Champion and Maths teacher, Mrs Shaw, explains how important Careers Week is when helping students to understand their post-16 options.

She said, "Each year, Careers Week has become bigger and bigger at Malet Lambert. This year was no exception.

"We had some brilliant speakers and workshops that really gave our students a flavour of what further education and the world of work can offer them.

Hull Ready Hub launches!

A select group of Business Ambassadors from Malet Lambert School visited Victoria Dock Primary School to help set up our local area's first Youth Ready Hub.

Year 7 students Molly, Kai, Joe and Paniz, attended the event, meeting with pupils from different primary schools around Hull.

The enterprising students, who successfully applied for and won the roles, took part in team-building activities to get to know the pupils with whom they will be working over the coming months.

"Careers education is incredibly important at Malet and is something we address regularly in lessons, so it is great to be able to dedicate a whole week to it and really bring it to the forefront of our students' minds."

Throughout the week, Wilberforce College staff and students came in and held activities for pupils in a variety of subjects – including history, drama, public services, sport and health & social care – which gave students an idea of what they could expect to learn on a college course.

Wyke College also spoke to students about careers which are available if you go on to study for a degree in science, with Wyke students chatting to our Y10 pupils about their A level science courses.

At the start of the week, Kit Hargreaves from web development company Apple Pear, began a two and a half day workshop on app development with a group of Year 8 students.

By the end of the session the students had created their own working app game and had learnt the basics of coding – an essential future skill in the digital industry.

The majority of subjects had an activity running during the week, including Maths, who had a visit from the British Army.

But they weren't here to talk obstacle courses and fitness training, they were from the HR section of the forces and taught students how to work out tax and insurance deductions from a monthly salary.

HETA brought along a practical experiment related to wind farms – a very topical subject in Hull, especially in terms of future jobs.



Groups of students were each given the name of a country and had to create a wind turbine from scratch. They were hooked up to a computer and the amount of energy their turbine produced was measured and recorded. This task tested all of the students' STEM skills – Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

Business students were lucky enough to hear from Sky Sports reporter and ex Malet pupil, Rob Palmer, who came to talk about how he got into broadcasting and what he has to do on a day to day basis.

He gave an interesting insight into the work that goes on behind the scenes at Sky Sports, coupled with lots of anecdotes about his experiences with Premiership footballers and managers.

Thursday saw the main event – the Careers Fair. Training providers and colleges provided information and advice to hundreds of students from Years 9, 10 and 11.

This was particularly important for Year 11 who received their mock exam results during the morning. They took these results to staff at the fair to see what courses they were able to enrol on. This helped them to understand if they are on the right track or if they need to do some extra work over the next couple of months.

All-in-all, an excellent, and informative week!

E-learning in lessons

We've been focusing on a variety of departments within school to see how they implement E-learning into each lesson:



Physical Education

Students in PE have access to a high-quality gym to allow them to train and improve their fitness and performance in sport.

In addition, they have access to laptops, iPads and Flipcams to allow them to record and track their own progress for further improvement - this is especially useful for those taking units in trampolining and gymnastics.

Head of PE, Mr Ripley, said, "They use cameras on a number of devices to record their routines and analyse them before showing staff.

"This helps them to check their posture and execution of moves, which helps them perfect their routines by way of self-evaluation."

The department has also found social media to be a great way of keeping in touch with students and parents. They have an active Twitter account with a strong following and use it to post messages about out-of-school training, match times and results.



Science

Alongside a new bank of laptops installed during the Summer break, staff use a variety of software and equipment to add a point of difference to their classwork.

A good example of this comes from Mrs Cook's class where she has incorporated Plickers software into her class work.

Plickers is a free app that can be used to collect test data in class. Each student is given a barcode that is connected to their name in the register.

Students hold up their barcode to answer quiz questions, turning it around to indicate which answer they are choosing. Using her phone, the teacher scans the classroom and the app records the answer given by each student using the barcodes.

Year 9 student Elise said, "I think it's a more interesting and interactive way of testing our knowledge. I also get feedback on how I've done from my teacher straight away."



Drama and Music

Drama and Music use technology in a variety of ways to enhance learning, with both using it for the same aspect - reviewing and improving performance.

Head of Drama, Miss Nickolay, says, "The use of ICT in Drama adds a fun element to the reviewing process by allowing pupils to watch their own performances and analyse them."

Music students also use recordings to document and review their progress.

Head of Music, Mrs Wilkinson says, "One of our units of study requires pupils to learn how to use a range of microphones and sound equipment, such as the mixing desk. This prepares pupils for music technology courses at colleges."

All students also have access to iMac Minis which are connected to USB music keyboards and audio interfaces. These allow pupils to record music into the computers with ease.



Question time

Students got the chance to meet with the leader of Hull City Council and lead member for Children's Services, to talk about important issues to them.

Cllr Stephen Brady and Cllr Rosie Nicola visited Malet Lambert School as part of a drive to engage with a school age audience to discuss democracy and the importance of a student voice.

The students, across all age groups, were keen to ask questions about local education and the role they could play in politics as future voters.

Both councillors have expressed an interest in coming back to Malet in the coming months to talk more about education and the voting system, which is an excellent opportunity for our students.

Eat. Sleep. Write.

As part of a drive to improve Literacy, we've introduced Eat Sleep Write - activities that focus on problem areas in Literacy and help develop writing skills.

Leading up to Easter, teaching staff have been highlighting homophones in all of the lessons they deliver and will be focusing on correct use of homophones in all the work that students produce.

Classes have already completed a short test on eight sets of homophones to ascertain how well they know them, including 'to, too, two' and 'where, were, wear'.

The aim is for students to take another test before Easter and for everyone to get full marks, or to improve on their previous score. Those who already achieved full marks will not have to retake the test.

Following this, classes will focus on correct use of capital letters.



Speak easy

Year 7 students Molly, Saffron and Stevie impressed a crowd - and their teachers - at public speaking competition 'Youth Speaks', held at the University of Hull last month.

The girls eagerly volunteered to take part and were asked to speak for ten minutes on a topic of their choice, which was centred around the question 'What if?'

Despite performing in front of an audience, including lots of children their own age from other schools, they spoke brilliantly, according to their teacher Mr Farr.

He said, "We are very proud of them. This is the first time they have done something like this and they performed superbly."

"Other schools had chosen some quite intense topics to talk about, but ours allowed the girls to be quite light-hearted at times - they even got a few laughs at some of their jokes!"

"Although we performed against other schools, it wasn't a competition, but it was a great opportunity for our pupils to practise constructing a speech, performing in front of others and projecting their voice."

"We hope to get involved in more activities like this during the rest of the school year."

Creative characters

Year 7 students were invited to take part in a creative writing workshop with a published author last month.

Kerry Drewery, author of young adult books such as 'A Brighter Fear' and 'A Dream of Lights', spent a morning in the LRC discussing the importance of a well-rounded character in a story.

Students then formed groups to create their own colourful characters, from villainous ducks to skinny wizards.

Kerry thoroughly enjoyed her time with our students and said, "A big thank you to staff for inviting me, but a bigger thank you to Year 7 students who made it an absolute delight."

"I'm always really encouraged and amazed by the rich imagination of young people and I hope they all had as good a time as me."

eat.
SLEEP.
READ.

MILLIONAIRES CLUB

Here are some of our most recent students to have read a million words:

Jack Moxon
Chloe Hayes
Luke Suter
Hayden Lister
McKenzie Barrett
Olivia Rusher
Grace Cammish
James Williams

Well done to these students who have reached TWO MILLION words:

Molly Hewett
Paniz Rajabalian



Celebrating diversity & British Values

During March, Malet Lambert School held its first Festival of Nations event, celebrating and emphasising British Values, and awareness of the different cultures living in our local area.

The event ran with the help of Humberside Police's Community Cohesion team who were very impressed that Malet committed to holding an event like this in school.

During the day, all students visited an interactive fair in the Main Hall where countries from across the world were represented at a stall and students asked questions and learned things about each nation.

Year 10 pupil Claire, 15, who previously lived in Bulgaria, was representing on her nation's stall. She said, "I've been showing my country to different people and, using a map, showing them how close we are to the UK.

"The thing they have found most interesting is trying food from Bulgaria. I brought in a few dishes for them to try because it's good for them to get a taste of my home country.

"It's so important for people to experience and understand different cultures because although we have different backgrounds, in the end we are all human beings.

"I think this event will help to break down barriers between cultures and communities."

Alongside this, groups of students from Year 7 – 10 took part in an educational session with Humberside Police, where they were able to talk to representatives from different cultural groups who live in our city.

There were guests from the Eastern European Migrant Worker Community, the Imam from Pearson Park Mosque, the President of Hull University Jewish Society and volunteers from Hull's Refugee Council who sent in guests who are asylum seekers/refugees.

The aim of this was to allow our students to speak to and spend time with members of different cultural groups and find out what it's really like to live and work somewhere when you're not a native to that country.

They asked questions about the types of food people eat, their experiences of Britain and about their day-to-day lives in their culture.

Meir Zobin, president of the Hull University Jewish Society, was highly complimentary of our event.

"What the school has done today is brilliant. I would like to see this happening in every school as a yearly event.

"It can be very hard to change the minds of older people but if we educate our younger generations about different cultures and religions, we are heading towards a better Britain."

Learning Support and Engagement Manager, Julie Lynch, feels this event went further than the usual kind of 'International Day' held by schools.

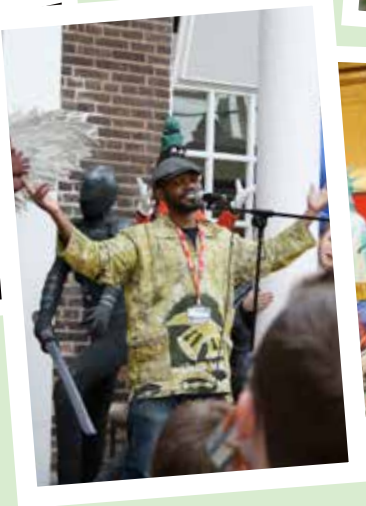
She said, "The rationale behind the event is to allow students to explore other faiths, cultures and nationalities in a safe and familiar environment".

"Other schools hold International Days, but this event goes beyond that. We are providing students with the opportunity to speak to people from different social groups - people who they may have preconceived ideas about because of the 'labels' society attaches to them".

"The aim of the day was to challenge prejudices and stereotypes, but also allow students to have fun and not have to worry about offending anyone whilst they learn - I think we achieved this!

"We want students to learn that we can live together in a cohesive community. This ties in with educating students about British Values of tolerance, equality and respect."

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Have we got news for you!



For the very first year, Malet Lambert students from across school took part in BBC School Report.

The national project aims to engage secondary school pupils in journalism and current affairs, empowering them to create their own news reports on topics that matter to them.

Supported by school staff and BBC Look North representative Chloe Davies, students researched stories, conducted surveys and interviews, and practised their presenting techniques ready for School News Day on Thursday 19th March.

With help from BTEC Media students from Wilberforce College, they worked to deadlines to create online news articles and video reports that were featured on our website and on the BBC School Report news feed.

Alongside our functioning school news room, two students were given the chance to represent Malet Lambert at BBC Look North for the day and help present on Andy Comfort's Drive Time Show.

Year 7 student Joe and Year 9 pupil Ellie spent the day with students from other schools and the BBC production team learning interview, research and editing techniques.



They went out to local youth centre 'The Warren' to gather comments about youth politics and interviewed Hull Daily Mail editor James Mitchell live on air.

Joe had a fantastic day and found the experience really intensified his interest in journalism. He said, "We had a brilliant time. The staff gave us a tour of the studios and showed us how to use all the equipment."



"It was quite nerve-wracking speaking live on air and hearing your voice on the radio, but I really enjoyed it."

"I hope we get a chance to join in with School Report next year because I've really enjoyed taking part."

Some of the news stories written by our students are printed on the next page >>>



AS REPORTED BY OUR BBC SCHOOL REPORT
TEAM ON THURSDAY 19th MARCH

Solar Eclipse

On Friday 20th March, there will be a rare solar eclipse all over Europe. This will occur in Hull at 08:28.

Although this will be, to most young people, a once in a life time opportunity, it will be a very dangerous event: if there is a small percentage of the sun still showing, people will be advised not to look at the eclipse directly as it could possibly cause blindness.

Because of this, many schools are not taking their pupils out to see the eclipse as it may be damaging to the pupils' health. Instead of taking pupils out, schools around the country are being encouraged to download videos to show the pupils the eclipse.

Maisie from Malet Lambert School, Year 8, said "I am looking forward to seeing some of the videos as I have

never seen a solar eclipse before". Abbie, who is also in Year 8, said "I haven't learnt about a solar eclipse yet in science lessons so I am hoping to learn much more from a first person view."

The weather will affect the clearness of the eclipse as it has been told it will be cloudy. But, this will not stop people feeling the change of atmosphere as they will feel like they need to be back in bed due to the darkness caused by the eclipse.

Mrs Lawrence, Head of Science at Malet Lambert School, said "There are lots of surprise activities for the Year 7s related to the eclipse but I don't want to share information about this so we don't ruin a fun lesson for the pupils."

Reported by: Larissa, Year 10



West Park Party

West Park Party is a new, local festival run by Bill Blenkarn. With an expected crowd of around 20,000 people, Hull is expecting big things from this festival.

Year 11 student Emmie is one of the local acts opening West Park Party for acts including Ella Eyre and Union J. We asked Blenkarn why he decided to have local acts alongside established artists.

Bill said, 'I'm such a massive believer in giving people a chance and allowing local artists to be on the same stage as artists that have made it - it could be a big break for them.'

Blenkarn is also hoping to introduce further projects to Hull in order to build on the West Park Party event, especially with City of Culture coming in 2017 which is a huge opportunity for music.

The full line-up will be announced within the next month and it looks set to be an exciting event!

Emmie is not the only talented young singer at Malet Lambert. Yasmin, 13, is also a talented singer. Yasmin has been successful in writing her own music with two songs available to purchase on iTunes. When we spoke to Yasmin we asked her what inspired her to start writing music, she said 'I think song writing really comes a lot from emotion and if you've got strong emotion it's easier to write a song about it'.

Yasmin also thinks it's very important to follow your dreams and never let anyone stop you doing what you want to do.

Reported by: Olivia & Caitlin, Year 9

See the full video interview on our website!

Don't suffer in silence

BBC 1 drama star, Eleanor Tomlinson, who stars in Poldark, suffered bullying at her secondary school in Beverley for being 'too posh'.

Unlike Eleanor Tomlinson and the 77% of students that have been bullied verbally, mentally, and physically around the world, Malet Lambert deals with less than 30 incidents per year.

Mr Logan, Malet Lambert's Assistant Head and bullying advisor said: "The two main things we want to see in this school are respect and tolerance from pupils towards teachers and teachers towards pupils from all different backgrounds and races".

Any incidents of bullying are dealt with quickly at Malet and can include talking to PCSO's, parents and other people involved in the situation.

Over 70 Malet Lambert pupils took part in our bullying survey and we found out that only 17% didn't know where to go to for help.

Mr Logan said that when receiving information from surveys across the whole school (1500 students) about bullying, the percentage of students that didn't know who to go to for help was a much smaller percentage.

Mr Logan organised for 30 pupils to take part in an anti-bullying campaign, designing posters which are now displayed around the school.

The school has their own bullying text line number: 07957 700549 which students can use if ever in need of help.

Reported by: Caitlin & Olivia, Year 9

More stories and video content from our BBC School Report team is available on our website



Yorkshire CHAMPIONS

Malet Lambert's Year 7 rugby team made the dream start to their school careers by lifting the Champion Schools Yorkshire Cup this week.

The team, who are already East Hull rugby champions for their age group, beat Temple Moor School from Leeds 18-12 in the final, which took place at the home of Super League club, the Wakefield Wildcats.

Malet began the game strongly, with back to back sets forcing Temple Moor on to the back foot. Strong running from Malet's forwards led to an early opportunity, which was taken well when a long pass from captain Adam was taken well by Finley, who sidestepped his opposite number before diving over the try-line.

Temple Moor also began strongly, with Malet finding their defensive line too narrow on the wide pitch and their opponents' speedy full-back and wingers exploiting the space on the flanks. This led to a try after 15 minutes when a strong run from the Temple Moor prop-forward led to a try.

Much of the rest of the half was even and both sides headed into the break knowing that the game was still very much alive.

Whilst it was Malet who had made the strongest start in the first half, the roles were reversed in the second,

as Temple Moor crashed over in their very first set after the break. This meant that Malet's backs were against the wall and they faced a real test of character to respond quickly.

The kick off from Billy was long and the chase from the defensive line was superb, forcing an immediate knock-on from their opponents. The offensive set from the scrum was strong and led to Malet prop forward Luke creating an overlap and touching down in the corner.

Relentless attack from the Malet Lambert team followed, with the outstanding Man of the Match Archie driving the team forward with excellent running. The pressure told and Joe completed an excellent passing move by touching down in the corner.

This left the score level with 5 minutes left as Malet continued their momentum only to be denied on the try line by an excellent tackle by the opposition defence. Temple Moor then completed a good set by sending a kick high into the night sky, which was taken under pressure by the safe hands of Charlie.

Malet, however would not be denied and after an excellent set of runs from the forwards, sent a deep kick that turned the Temple Moor defence around. The ball bobbled and bounced as Finley chased it down to

grasp the ball from the fingertips of the opposition full back and dived over the try line. Jacob then added the conversion to seal the victory for the Hull side.

The team's coach Mr Robinson praised his team for their efforts .

He said, "I'm so pleased for the boys for their achievements in their very first year at the school.

"They have played some excellent rugby throughout their cup run, but the way they responded to going behind by digging deep and rallying as a team is something they should be really proud of.

"Hopefully they will really kick on from this and continue their good run in the National Cup, where they have reached the Quarter Final."

Man of the Match, Archie, tells us the whole team is 'buzzing' after their win.

He said, "We weren't as good in the first half but we really picked up the pace as a team in the second.

"It feels brilliant to be Yorkshire Champions - the whole team is just buzzing about it.

"I feel really confident we're going to do well in the rest of the National Cup games now."

Malet fall at final hurdle

A second shot at a place in the final of the Playstation Schools Football National Cup ended in despair, as Malet Lambert School Year 10 team were pipped to the post for a second year running.

Last February, the team of boys from East Hull sailed through to the semi-finals of the national competition before losing to Honley School from Huddersfield.

This year, they hoped to go one further and make it to the finals – but Liverpool side St Margaret's kept them from their dream, beating them 2-1.

The game started favourably and was back and forth early on, with Malet getting the first opportunity as Luke Glover headed an early corner just over the bar.

Jacob Dale-Todd then found space on the left wing and crossed for Josh Drury, whose volley was blocked well by the defender to deflect it wide.

St Margaret's then managed to get a good foothold in the game and caused problems for Malet with speedy counter attacks. They created a strong chance that hit the cross bar, forcing a good save from goalkeeper Adam Shimmin.

St Margaret's took the lead on the half hour mark with a stunning strike from 35 yards that sailed over the keeper's head and went in off the crossbar. The score was 1-0 at half time.

Malet came out revitalised in the second half but still failed to connect with several dangerous crosses into the box.

The visitors doubled their lead with 20 mins remaining in an unfortunate fashion, when a well-struck free kick hit the crossbar before rebounding off goal keeper Adam Shimmin's back and into the net.

Malet now had to throw caution to the wind to try and get back into the game. They were rewarded when a long ball from the keeper turned the St Margaret's defence around, with Jacob Dale-Todd showing good strength to hold off the defender before calmly slotting it home.

Malet continued to push forward, desperate to find the equaliser, but strong defence from the visiting team meant that their best chance came in the form of a free kick from goal scorer Jacob Dale-Todd, which flashed just wide past the keeper.

Despite an outstanding and heartfelt performance from Malet, the game finished 2-1 to St Margaret's. Goal scorer Jacob Dale-Todd, 15, felt the team gave it their best shot and that St Margaret's were a worthy side.

He said, "They deserved their win. We had a few good chances to pull it back and win, but we could have used them better.

"I think we put 100% into our performance today and gave it our all - but there's always room for improvement. Mr Ripley is a fantastic coach. He's looked after us since Year 7 and kept us in good shape.

"Hopefully, we'll make the final next year. We'd love to win the national cup - it's what we've aimed for as a team since Year 7 and we'd like to see it happen before we leave school."

The boys saw a setback last Friday when team captain and striker, Billy Chadwick, 15, tore a cruciate ligament during training. He is now on the bench until Christmas.



Team coach and Head of PE, Andrew Ripley, has been with the boys every step of the way and feels the loss as keenly as they do.

"I'm very proud of them – they battled really hard and were beaten by a very good side.

"We actually played St Margaret's in Year 7 and beat them in a tight game. Today was their revenge, in a way.

"It was a tough match and even after all the hard work since September, we didn't quite do enough to win the game.

"They can bounce back from this and they've got another chance next year before they leave Malet.

"After their hat-trick of wins in local cup titles last year, I'm pretty confident they'll make it to the finals this season. That's what we're focusing on now.

"If they reach the final of the Hull Cup, that will be played at the KC stadium which would be a nice reward for all their hard work."



E-safety information *for parents*

Our E-Safety Parent Presentation was a great success and we've had excellent feedback - thank you to all who attended.

We covered the main social media platforms - what they are, what's good about them and what to be wary of - plus how to amend your privacy settings on each one.

IT teacher Mr McCall also gave an excellent talk on how we form a digital footprint online and how that could affect us in the present and in the future.

You can view the material presented to parents on the E-safety news story (February) on our website.



Feedback from parents:

100%

of parents found the event useful and informative.

96%

of parents feel their knowledge of social media and privacy settings has improved after attending the event.

20%

of parents who attended had never previously used social media.

Exploring the world's local bank

Each year, GCSE Business Studies students take a detailed look at two very different businesses to compare how they work.

They chose children's activity centre Big Fun as the local business to focus on, and HSBC as the global business for them to compare it to.

Last term they visited Big Fun to help them understand how the organisation is managed day-to-day and this term they took a trip to Priory Park in Hessle to visit the HSBC Business headquarters for the local area.

Head of Business, Mr Bell, said, "It may not be quite as exciting as Big Fun, but this trip is incredibly important for helping them understand the company structure, and how and why they make their business decisions."

Students were given an in depth presentation on how the business operates, including methods of communication and differences between different branches of the company.

They were then taken on a tour of the branch, meeting various members of staff and even discussing the psychology behind the design of the shop floor.

The information they obtained from this trip will form a big part of their GCSE class work.