



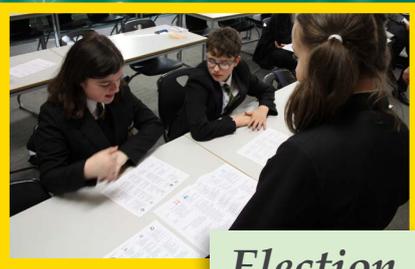
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Newsletter for Malet Lambert pupils and parents



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Welcome from our Head of School

I hope that our latest copy of 'The Voice' finds the community well.

As I write, we have just entered the final week of term as we approach the Christmas period. There's a festive feel around the school this week as we all look forward to the break. However, the hard work continues and the attitudes of pupils in all year groups is excellent.

Year 11 is starting to really move forward now and the summer exam period will be upon us sooner than we realise. I'm proud of their commitment and also the continued hard work and dedication shown by their teachers.

I'm looking forward to the Christmas Concert this week, which I feel is always a celebration of this term. It's been a successful term in the classroom, on the sports field, through school performances and in many other ways too.

Wishing our pupils and families a happy and safe festive period.

Best wishes,



Patrick Sprakes



Young Entrepreneurs

Malet Lambert's Young Entrepreneurs team have kicked off their business fundraising.

The team found themselves in St Stephen's shopping centre on Saturday 14th December for a trade fair, hoping to raise money for their business group, "Aztec Warriors."

The model for their business is one of a theatre company, which puts on performances in schools to showcase the important messages surrounding the sensitive issues of E-safety and bullying, among others.

The YE team were hoping to raise money through a tombola, with members of the public paying to take part and all proceeds being pumped back into their business.

After taking account of costs, the team reported a total of £85.96 for the day, a brilliant result from all their hard work.

The Young Enterprise is a UK national charity that develops school children's financial and employability skills. The group hold a number of rounds for a competition between competing pupil-led businesses during the year.

In recent years teams from Malet Lambert have had amazing success in these competitions, with Malet's team from last year, Rise, winning the county finals.



Coming up...

Start of Spring Term
Tuesday 7th January 2020

Year 9 Options Evening
Thursday 16th January 2020

Year 11 Progress Evening
Thursday 23rd January 2020

Ski Trip
Friday 14th February - Sunday 23rd February 2020

February Half Term
Friday 14th February - Monday 24th February 2020

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Malet Lambert Goes to the Polls



Across the country tension has been high and politics has been escapable in the run up to the UK General Election.

With the politics of the country being such a forefront topic the Education Alliance, Malet Lambert and our partnered schools, took the opportunity to give their pupils a chance to voice their views on the political landscape with a Trust-wide mock election, and it seemed only natural that members of the Malet Lambert Debate Club stepped in to bring the policies to the pupils.

The Debate Club was originally started earlier this year to allow pupils to practise British Parliamentary debating. Now, as attentions turn towards the General Election, the pupils have taken up the roles of party representatives, embodying and promoting the policies and stances of the main UK political parties in the run up to the mock election.

Conservative, Labour, Liberal Democrats, Green Party and Brexit Party, have all been taken up and represented by our pupils, who have gone on to campaign on topics such as under 16 voting and, of course, Brexit.

While the debate club may just seem like a chance to emulate the political process there is another reason why it has proven so popular with its participants, as Miss Ripley explains;

"We hope to increase their confidence, comfort with public speaking and enhance their ability to form arguments based on solid evidence. It will hopefully set them apart when it comes to competing with university places."

The pupils involved have also credited the debate club with giving them a chance to reflect on how they receive and understand information through the media, an important skill set for critical thinking.



Lewis, standing for the Conservative Party, spoke on this idea;

"Most of the media now is all doom and gloom . . . and if someone watched the news one day to see what's happening it all seems bad and they take off of that."

After the schools from across the trust cast their votes on Wednesday 11th December the ballots were counted and while the Green party won the

top spot overall from the Trust, for Malet Lambert it was The Labour Party coming in first with a total of 349 votes, just a slim lead over second place, The Green Party, coming in with 324.

The last few weeks have been filled with amazing campaigns and passionate debate from our pupils and we hope that they can carry this enthusiasm with them for when the time comes, in the years to follow, to engage and cast their votes for real.

Achievement Evening

Malet Lambert welcomed pupils past and present to celebrate at our annual Achievement Evening.

In November, the school hosted the event to acknowledge all of the wonderful work and effort that our pupils put into their studies during the last school year. The pupils, their family, staff and guests all came together for the evening on 21st November, alongside former pupils, last year's Year 11 group, to celebrate all of the pupils amazing achievement.

The evening kicked off with a fantastic solo performance by current Year 11 pupil, Grace. A brilliant example of the ability and talent that we were to showcase for the evening. With the awardees ready the presentations began, with deputy headteacher, Mr Logan, filling in the role of master ceremonies with our head of school, Mr Sprakes on stage, waiting to congratulate the recipients.

Awards were handed out for achievement in the individual subject areas and year groups, and also awards and special commendations were given to high achievers in certain areas. These Wider Community Awards are given to pupils who have gone beyond expectations in showing dedication in a particular field.

Accolades such as the Margaret Wright Award for extracurricular music and the Outstanding Linguist Award for pupils highly skilled in a foreign language, were all given out with the help of our special guest speaker for the evening, Surgeon Lt Cdr Michael Robinson.

Lt Cdr Robinson returns to Malet Lambert, having been one of its pupils from 1994 to 1999, to share the story of his career path and experience with our guests, along with some words of encouragement with our pupils.

"Tonight for me is about showing you can achieve what you want, if you can look after each other, be kind and occasionally take time like tonight to look down that mountain of your achievements then look up again set those goals and keep going I'm sure you will all go far."

After the presentation of all of the awards the evening was brought to a close with another solo performance and a vote of thanks delivered by our Head Boy and Head Girl, Thomas and Evie.

We would like express our gratitude to everyone who attended our Achievement Evening, to our special guest, Lt Cdr Robinson and Governors, and we would like to congratulate all of the winners, both current and former pupils, and wish all of them the best of luck in all they set out to do in both academic and beyond their education.





Pupils Show Their Amazing Generosity

Once again, Malet Lambert is so very proud to have such selfless and generous pupils and staff who prove time and time again how willing there are to get stuck in with fundraising and charity drives.

Over the course of the term, the school has held a number of different charity drives and collections for a variety of funds and causes.

This year, we again found our pupils working exceptionally well in raising money for the national BBC charity, Children in Need. In preparation for the day, a group of our pupils went through the trouble of baking buns to sell.

Needless to say that the buns were very well received at break time on the Friday, when they

went on sale. Through bake sales, a non-uniform day and collections the school managed to raise a sum of £1415.67 for Children in Need.

Another amazing success came when the school was fundraising for the charity, YoungMinds. YoungMinds is a mental health and wellbeing charity that works towards the improvement of mental health services and facilities for young people across the UK.

Through the generosity of our pupils and staff, Malet Lambert was able to donate £1352 to YoungMinds.

We have no plans to stop our fundraising train anytime soon here at Malet. The school welcomes any ideas or suggestions from it pupils for causes

that we could potentially help. Taking part and supporting these causes and charities helps the school fulfil Malet Lambert's ethos on being a contributing and productive force in the wider community.

We'd like to thank all our pupils and staff for there continuing generosity and good will. Let's keep up the good work for this year and the years to come.

If you would like to know which charities that Malet Lambert are currently raising money for you can find this information posted above the red charity box in the Forum.



Christmastime at Malet Lambert

In the run up to Christmas Malet Lambert has, once again, become of hub of Yuletide fun.

Traditionally, Malet Lambert rings in the Christmas season with a variety of activities and treats, and this year was no different.

Those pupils in Years 7 to 10 who reached a targeted attendance of 96%, or had no unauthorised absences, were treated to a showing in the Hall of the Christmas film, Elf. Our Year 11 pupils who also had such a high level for attendance would be given a selection box on the last day of term.

It has been amazing to see just how many of pupils were able to enjoy these rewards. It has

proven to the school just how dedicated our pupils are to continuing with their hard work and studies.

It also wouldn't be the Christmas season without a Christmas dinner, and it was our Senior Leadership Team who took up serving duties for the lunch break.

Pupils would have been met with the likes of Mr Sprakes, Mr Logan, Mr Fenna, Mr Dick and Miss Tarbet, dishing out lunch and puddings for the annual Malet Christmas Lunch.

In another of Malet Lambert's Christmas traditions, our pupils have been practising their singing skills in the run up to our annual Christmas Concert. The concert included

performances by the Malet Lambert choir, orchestra, string groups and bands, as well as solo and duet performances and a performance by the drama group.

Mrs Wilkinson, one of the staff organisers, wants to ensure that a wide range of talent has the opportunity to be shown for the concert.

"The concert is an opportunity for pupils to showcase their talent and hard work, and is a festive celebration of the end of term . . . There will be performances to suit all musical tastes."

From all of the staff at Malet Lambert, we would like to wish all of our pupils and their families a very happy festive season.



¡Hola! Malet on Tour in Madrid

While the school was enduring the chilly weather earlier in the term one lucky group of pupils managed to escape the cold snap for a four day trip to Madrid in Spain.

The trip, led by Mr Thompson, proved to be a jam packed adventure for the pupils as they had themselves a taste of Spanish culture.

Over the course of the four day trip, our pupils enjoyed a variety of activities and tours including a visit to the Plaza Mayor, taking in a sea lion show at the zoo, visiting the Museo del Jamón, looking around El Rastro Market, having a taste of quintessential Spanish cuisine of Tapas and Paella, and of course, having the opportunity to practise their Spanish language skills.

Mr Thompson of our MFL department expressed just how impressed he was with this year's trip, saying;

"The trip was the best one yet . . . It is the pupils that make it such a rewarding trip in terms of their resilience, excellent behaviour and outgoing personalities."

On how the pupils represented both themselves and Malet Lambert, there was nothing but praise from the accompanying staff.

"The pupils have behaved impeccably and have thrown themselves into Spanish culture,"

Writes Mr Robinson, who along with the other visiting staff, kept the wider school and parents

informed of all the goings-on throughout the entire trip via their Malet on Tour blog.

The blog is still available to view at madrid2019maletontour.wordpress.com



Malet's Young Writers Head Down to Cambridge



In December, Malet Lambert pupils embarked on a trip to Cambridge University to attend the Young Writers' Festival.

The trip was open to all pupils who attend Miss Chamberlain & Miss Bielby's First Story Group, as well as pupils who had been selected by their English teachers. During the trip to the university, pupils took part in a

range of creative writing exercises, along with two workshops lead by authors. Pupils also heard a Key Note Speech from Young Adult author Juno Dawson.

Malet Lambert were the only school from Hull to attend and were accompanied by 11 other schools from around the country.

The day ended with pupils stepping on the stage of the 300-seat lecture theatre to read some of their work.

Year 10 pupils Katelyn from Crown and Luke from Lion bravely put themselves forward to read their work in front of all of the schools Cambridge university lecturers and writers. Both Katelyn and Luke both spoke highly of the trip, with Katelyn saying,

"I think it would help other people because it's an opportunity to improve on public speaking skills."

Luke expressed just how much a pupil stood to gain from a trip like this.

"It was worthwhile, it was kind of inspiring and I found new ways to express myself in writing. I would definitely recommend coming on this trip to future Year 10s."

According to Miss Bielby, pupils conducted themselves in an exemplary manner and were a credit to the school.



Taking Home the Gold

It was a successful day for Malet Lambert students as our Panathlon team went on to gather a fantastic result from their time at the Panathlon Championship.

A group of our pupils travelled down to Costello Stadium participate in the championship, where the group were split into teams of three, from there they competed in a number of the events, including;

- Boccia
- Table Cricket
- Polybat
- New age Kurling
- Field Athletics
- Races

From each game points were received that were counted throughout the day. Overall, it was a brilliant result for Malet Lambert as, through the combined efforts of all our teams, the Malet Lambert group came first place in the Championship, bringing back the gold medal.

While it was fantastic news and great results across the board, our Polybat team truly went the distance by winning all three of the games they played.

It wasn't just our competing pupils that made us proud at the Panathlon event. Along with our team went along a group of our pupils who acted as Sport Leaders for the event.

The main duty of the Sport Leaders was to help officiate the games and matches, and their hard work did not go unnoticed. Event organisers, Tony Waymouth and Howard Nicholls, gave praise to the Sport Leaders and their conduct, noting that they would want to use them again for future events.

The momentous achievement of our Panathlon competitors and Sport Leaders can be best summed up by the accompanying staff members, Mrs Winsor and Mr Gibson.

"Both staff and pupils had a fantastic day. The pupils were all brilliant and did Malet proud."

Well done to all our pupils involved with the Panathlon Championship for showing a fantastic level of determination and hard work, and a huge congratulations to our competitors for their amazing win.



Staff Fancy Dress



Merry Christmas From Malet Lambert

The Malet Sports Round-up

A selection of sporting news and achievements so far this academic year...

Nov 11 A big congratulations to the Year 7 boys 5-a-side team who won tonight's Hull Schools Championships. The lads played some great football and also battled hard. The team will now represent Hull in the regional finals in Derby.

Nov 12 Well done to the Y8 rugby team who won the Hull Schools 9-a-sides, winning 4 very competitive games against Archbishop A&B, Kelvin and St Mary's. This also means they qualify for the National 9-a-side competition.

Nov 13 Well done to the U13 boys and girls futsal sides who both finished in 3rd place in the Hull Schools futsal competition.

Nov 15 Congratulations to the Yr 9 B football team who beat South Hunsley 2-1 this afternoon in the ESFA National Cup. It's was a very hard working performance and all players battled hard for each other. Well done lads.

Nov 18 Well done to the Y9 football team who beat George Pindar Academy 5-0 in the English Schools' Football Association National Cup.

Nov 18 Superb football played by the Year 7 football team in tonight's 5-a-side competition. After winning all their league games they unfortunately lost in the final. Well played girls.

Nov 21 Congratulations to the Yr 7 B boys Football team who beat St Mary's B 4-1 tonight in the Hull Schools league. It was a fantastic match that showed how many talented pupils attend both schools.

Nov 26 Well done to the Year 8 B team, who beat St Mary's 3-0 tonight to win their league. Well done boys.

Nov 27 A brilliant performance by the Y8 rugby team winning 30-0 against Morley Academy in awful conditions. This puts them top of their Yorkshire Cup group with one game to go.

Dec 9 Congratulations to the U14 girls football team who won the Hull Schools 5-a-side competition tonight. Superb team effort ladies.

Dec 11 Big well done to the Year 8 Dodgeball team who have qualified for Humber School Games finals.

