



# The VOICE

Newsletter for Malet Lambert students and parents



## Double joy for Year 8 rugby team

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Judo champ



ACE Day

# Welcome from our Head of School

**As our Year 11 pupils complete their final preparations for their exams, I can feel the tension, but also their determination.**

I wish them luck as they embark on the first step for shaping their future direction. I am really pleased to say, that nearly all of the pupils I speak to have a clear plan for the future.

That plan will be different for each pupil, but it's great to hear that most pupils know exactly what they would like to do following their time with us at Malet Lambert.

As the weather hopefully starts getting brighter, our pupils continue to amaze us with their wonderful ambition and innovation.

I like nothing more in my day than visiting classrooms to look at the fantastic teaching and learning that is going on, coupled with the fantastic aspirations shown by our pupils. On a sporting front, I am aware that some finals have been won, whilst other teams have



narrowly missed out on local honours. We are also keeping our fingers crossed for some teams still involved in national competitions.

We have an awful lot going on this term, so please keep in touch with us via our website and social media.

For any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Best wishes,

Patrick Sprakes (Head of School)

## Mobile phone policy update

Immediately following half term (starting Tuesday 7th June), the use of mobile phones, tablets, smart watches and any other mobile devices are prohibited within lessons, including tutor time and when walking between lessons. This includes checking of the time.

They can however still be used before tutor time, at break time and at lunch time, as well as after school. Pupils will still be able to send and receive texts and phone calls during break time and lunch time.

In certain cases, teachers will be allowing use of devices for very specific and structured reasons. Where this is the case, the teacher will clearly display a green card in the room and give very clear direction on the use of the mobile device.

If the device is used during restricted times sanctions will be applied. On the first occasion, within a half term, the phone will be confiscated and stored securely until the end of day whereupon the student can collect it themselves. On the second occasion and any subsequent occasions, within a half term, the phone will be confiscated, the parent informed and the parent can collect it at any time after 3.10pm.

Staff will direct the pupil to take their phone to Student Services. At Student Services, the pupil's device will be logged and securely stored. We also have checking systems in place to ensure that the phone arrives at Student Services.

The pupil can collect their device themselves in the first instance. For subsequent occasions, it must be collected by a family member over the age of 18 who is listed on our computer system. Proof of identification should be produced on collection of the device.

A letter has been sent to parents regarding these changes. Please visit our website for an electronic copy of this [www.maletlambert.co.uk](http://www.maletlambert.co.uk)

## Coming up...

### Events at Malet Lambert

**Wednesday 22nd June**  
Last GCSE exam

**Wednesday 29th June**  
Enrichment Day

**Tues 5th/Weds 6th July**  
School production

**Friday 8th July**  
Year 11 Prom

**11th - 15th July**  
Year 10 Work Experience

**Friday 22nd July**  
End of term

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# Anyone can be ACE

## During this half term, all Year 9 students had the chance to head out on a trip to the University of Hull.

They were attending ACE Day (Aiming for a College Education), which is an annual event held to encourage KS3 students to consider university as a future option to continue their education.

Almost 300 students took part in the trip, which included group activities, competitions and a campus tour.

During the day, students were placed in teams of 10, which included a student ambassador.

They had a tour of the campus, learned about the types of courses available, how finances work, where they can study and more about life as a student away from home.

They took part in quizzes to learn about how things are different to school life.

After asking pupils to take part in a short survey, we found that prior to ACE Day many students thought university would require them to be constantly working, that it would be difficult and they would have a limited time to socialise.

Following their involvement in activities, they were increasingly positive about university as an option for them.

Many are interested to meet new people and learn more about university study, and most are now not too concerned about the financial implications of higher education. The pupils have a good understanding on how beneficial this kind of event can be for their age group.

Year 9 student Francois said, "The event was extremely informative and fun. The tour of the university was very entertaining.

We were taught about university finance and how it can be managed once you are in full time employment."

Year 9 student Joshua said, "My favourite part of the day was the tour of the university. The day was very beneficial and I hope to visit again soon."

Both students are still planning to attend the University of Hull and have already started to find out more about the courses they are interested in.

## Field to fork

### Food technology is taking a lead role in developing a school garden to allow pupils to grow their own produce.

Heading up the project will be Head of Design Food, Mrs Sibary, alongside Malet Lambert's enthusiastic premises staff, Mr Salter, Mr Welpton and Mr Browne.

Pupils will be invited to become involved in the upkeep of the garden, as part of a new extracurricular gardening club starting in autumn.

The aim is to involve parents and the community with the project over the coming months, including the summer holidays.

The team has contacted Tesco Groundwork, a community charity who work across the UK helping communities find practical solutions to the challenges they face and to improve areas in need.

Mrs Sibary, a keen gardener said, "This project is such a beneficial opportunity for the community.

We are hoping to push the link between transition from primary to secondary via the project, by involving the pupils and their families during the summer, before they officially start in the September."

Malet Lambert Site Manager, Mr Salter, said, "It is such a great opportunity to utilise this space and make it something positive for the community and everyone at school to become involved in."

For more information on how to become involved in the project please visit [www.groundwork.org.uk/Sites/tescocommunityscheme](http://www.groundwork.org.uk/Sites/tescocommunityscheme)



## Double joy for Year 8 rugby team

**After securing a hat-trick of titles last year (Hull Cup, East Hull League and Yorkshire Cup), our Year 8 rugby team have again scored the Hull double.**

They were crowned Hull Cup champions after beating St Marys College 30-14 in the final this month, after previously winning the title of Hull League champions earlier in the year.

Their place in the final came after beating teams from Wolfreton School, Boulevard Academy and South Holderness School.

St Marys were a formidable team who played a good match, but Year 8 pupil Luke scored a hat-trick of tries which sealed the deal for the Malet side.

Their coach and PE teacher Mr Robinson said, "The lads played fantastically well and this match rounded off a superb performance locally for the team.

"They now have two years of being unbeaten locally under their belt which is a brilliant achievement."



On a regional level, the team made the Yorkshire Cup semi-final this year, but lost to Manorcroft School by eight points, meaning they couldn't complete the same triple-champion status they had last year.

Mr Robinson commented, "There are three or four teams in Yorkshire that are really strong in their age group. Ironically, our boys actually beat the Yorkshire Cup winners from this year in one of their National Cup matches, so on a different day it could have been them crowned as champions."

This week (18<sup>th</sup> May 2016), the team also played in the semi-final of the National Cup against Wade Deacon School from Widnes.

After playing magnificently in the first half and being 8-0 up at half time, the team were gutted to ultimately lose 18-8 at full time.

They received some great praise from the PE team at the rival school who commented on

the fantastic rugby played by all involved. Mr Robinson was incredibly proud of them, especially since they have progressed from only reaching the quarter finals last year.

He said, "Our boys were beaten by some good rugby in the second half from Wade Deacon. It was a really well balanced match – I've no doubt that when we play them again we'll probably beat them one day.

"Wade Deacon's coach, an ex-Hull KR player, actually asked to speak to the team after the match to tell them how well they'd played and that he thought they were the best group his boys had played this year.

"This is the first time we've reached the semi-final since we won the National Cup for rugby ten years ago, so I've no doubt that if the boys keep working hard, they will be very successful in the future – and we may lift the cup again."

## Sports results

### Year 8 Rugby Team

Hull Cup victory 30 - 14 St. Mary's

Hull Cup Semi-final 30 - 18 Wolfreton

National 1/4 Final 22 - 20 Outwood Grange

Malet Lambert 36 - 0 South Holderness

### Girl's Football

Under 13 Hull Cup Winners 3 - 2 St. Mary's

Under 14 Hull School's Semi-final 6 - 3 St. Mary's

### Boy's Football

Year 10: Humberstone Cup Match 6 - 4  
Beverley Longcroft

Hull FA Cup 5 - 1 Winifred Holtby

Year 11: 1 - 0 Sirius Academy

Year 8: 4 - 0 South Holderness

Year 7: 0 - 0 Andrew Marvell

# Judo Champ

**During the Easter holidays, one of Malet's very own pupils took part in the British Judo Association's National Judo Championships in Sheffield.**

This budding student was James, Year 10, and he left Sheffield with a Bronze medal.

We were given the opportunity to talk to James about his experiences with judo.

James got into judo through his father, an avid lover of all sports. "8 years ago, my dad said 'do you want to do a sport?'" This resulted in James doing judo since he started Malet.

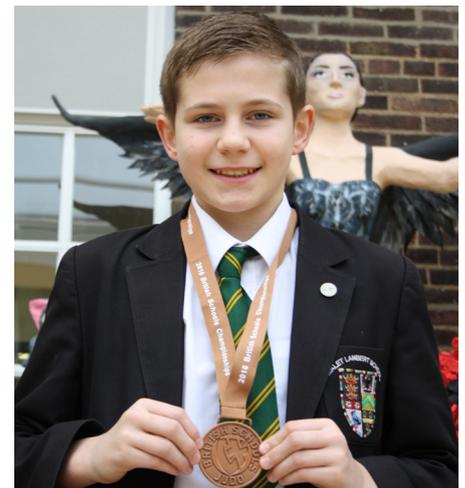
He also told us that judo is a sport of both fighting and mental skills, and its main principle is self-defence. "It's a good sport if you like to be fit and stay healthy," James stated, "Give it a go, and you've got to keep pushing."

On the day of the competition itself, James didn't have many nerves, but he didn't expect to be waiting so long to fight. "We got out at 9, but started fighting at 5."

This is a serious hobby for James though, as he would like to continue his sport into work and begin coaching as a career. Evidently, James enjoys his sport and has been winning medals for years; he has previously won bronze in the National Championships too.

Well done to James for his hard work and perseverance, and for winning such a high place at national level. Hopefully, his career in judo ensues soon after!

Written by Victoria, Year 10



## Girls soar to the top of the league in Hull



**Our female sports teams have also been performing brilliantly at a local level, with U13 girls football team taking home the Hull Cup this season.**

The team comprises pupils from Year 7 & 8, and after a tough final match against St Marys, they won 3-2 and proudly held aloft the trophy.

Year 8 pupil Olivia was named Woman of the Match for her ability to set up some of the winning goals for the rest of her teammates, and she was delighted with the accolade.

She said, "I'm quite proud of myself really for helping set up the shots and for making the girls communicate well as a team and play well.

"I'll be moving up to the U15 team next year, but we want to repeat this success and go even further – especially in the national

matches, which we were unlucky to get knocked out of this year.

"The older Year 8 girls in our team have been able to pass on some knowledge to the new players, but next year I'm looking forward to gaining experience from the older players in the U15 team."

Like many of her teammates, Olivia plays for football teams inside and outside of school and would like to play professionally one day.

She said, "I play for a boys team locally and I used to play at county level too. I'm currently doing trials to join an elite team for the Regional Talent Centre which is a pathway to playing at national level.

"I'm looking forward to playing at Malet for the next few years and going further as a team together."

# Number One Resolution

Earlier in the term, a group of Malet Lambert's peer mentors and student representatives attended Hull Young People's Parliament to speak in the Council Chambers about various subjects including sexual health, grooming and online safety.

The pupils had to propose resolutions to some given instances and present them to other local secondary schools involved.

Throughout the day resolutions were debated and voted upon to make final decisions of what should happen.

Our team's resolution was a proposal that victims of child sexual exploitation should provide training in schools and work places, delivering age appropriate annual sessions to maintain a high level of awareness and in-depth knowledge of this subject.

During the day, pupils were informed that the top three resolutions would be put forward to Hull City Council and discussed centrally by the National Youth Parliament. The resolution created by Malet's team was voted number one.

Mrs Lynch, Learning Support and Engagement Manger, said, "Our students were incredible all day. They were very eloquent and confident, receiving 65 votes. They should be extremely proud of themselves."

## Going for gold at Malet Lambert

Following a lengthy assessment of all careers services we provide at Malet Lambert, the school has been awarded Gold Standard for Careers Education Information Advice and Guidance (CEIAG) by Humber Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP).

This means we provide the highest standard of careers and enterprise education to ensure our students have access to a variety of employment opportunities and that they are well prepared for the world of work.

The assessor spoke to students, careers staff and parents over a full day to make sure she felt fully informed before making a firm decision to take to the board at Humber LEP.

Mr Logan, Assistant Headteacher who leads on CEIAG, was delighted with the decision.

He said, "Staff have all worked very hard to present a clear picture of everything we do at Malet Lambert in terms of careers and enterprise, which is difficult because we do so much.

"It is always good to get an external perspective on our provision as we can always improve. "The assessor was very impressed with our careers provision, extensive off timetable



enrichment programme, and particularly our engagement with employers.

"This only happens by working together and offering our students experiences that will hopefully enable them to make informed career choices."

Amongst other things this school year, Malet Lambert pupils have taken part in National Careers Week, Global Entrepreneurship Week, BBC School Report, the Greenpower project, ACE Day, a careers-focused Enrichment Day, and Badgers Set Challenge.

Coming up before the summer, Year 10 pupils will be heading out on to work experience and also on taster days to local colleges.

Pupils also have access to careers guidance and advice from internal and external advisors, regardless of what year group they are in.

Our Careers Guidance Officer and Connexions Advisors work closely with Year 11 from September to help them make decisions about where next to take their education.

# Yipiyap



**Malet Lambert has become the first school in Hull to trial a national tutoring project who help provide extra tuition to pupils.**

Yipiyap is an Altrincham-based company that recruits university students who have chosen to take a gap year and arranges paid placements for them supporting pupils as in-school tutors during their year out.

Malet Lambert's yipiyap tutor, Miss Smith, who started this term, has been providing extra support in Mathematics for Year 11 pupils during their lessons as part of the new initiative.

Miss Smith, who is currently studying to gain a geography degree at the University of Hull and has an A level in Maths, said, "I had to be interviewed and had to prove I was of a certain standard to qualify for the role."

She spoke extremely positively of the yipiyap project adding, "It is such a rewarding experience; I am available to the pupils if they have any questions or need extra support to answer questions in lessons."

Assistant Headteacher, Mr Logan, feels the new project is working very well for students.

He said, "We are delighted to be working with the team from Yipiyap. We are always keen to develop innovative ways to engage our pupils in learning.

"Yipiyap tutors connect with pupils at their level, having been in the same position themselves recently.

"They are recruited from a high academic standard in English and Maths and are therefore positive role models for our pupils.

"We are looking forward to further developing our partnership and providing the very best opportunities for our pupils to achieve their full potential."

Pupils who receive this support have a good understanding on how beneficial this kind of project can be for their GCSEs.

Year 11 pupil Owen, said, "Miss Smith can really relate to us and having her as a tutor has been very beneficial to me during GCSE study."

Eve, also Year 11, said, "I am grateful for the support in Maths, it is really good that I get more help at this crucial time of study."

The school plans to continue this project and take on further yipiyap tutors in English and Maths from September.

For more information on this innovative peer to peer support project please visit [www.yipiyap.co.uk](http://www.yipiyap.co.uk).

## Malet takes the Challenge

**In April, a team of four pupils took part in the Hull and East Yorkshire regional leg of the United Kingdom Maths Trust (UKMT) Challenge.**

Pitted against teams from across the whole region, the pupils took part in fun but challenging maths activities to prove their worth.

After a full day of tasks, the team – Ellie and Jasmine from Year 9, and George and Sam from Year 8 – were placed third, and were the highest placed team from Hull.

Mr Gresswell, Maths teacher and Numeracy Co-ordinator, supervised the team and said, "They did extremely well and I was incredibly pleased with their performance."

Year 9 student Jasmine was very proud to have been chosen as part of the UKMT team representing Malet Lambert. She said, "Getting chosen shows that the teachers have faith in our maths ability, which makes me feel really proud to be part of this team."

Fellow team member Ellie, also Year 9, felt that the four pupils worked well together to get placed third. She said, "We worked really well as a team with a lot of positive communication. We trusted each other which helped us perform so well.

"Taking part in competitions like this helps to build confidence and I think also encourages people to take part in maths, especially when the challenges are fun like the crossword number game."



# *A special message to Marley*

Marley Cass, one of our Year 7 pupils at Malet Lambert is battling a rare form of bone cancer. She is currently undergoing intense chemotherapy. She will continue her treatment with life-saving target therapy in the near future. Marley and her family are hoping to visit Disney World whilst they are in America for the treatment. Mr Sprakes wanted to send some special wishes to Marley and her family.

As Head of Malet Lambert, I am immensely proud that  
Marley is part of our team.

For me, the letter she wrote recently that was published in the local press shows what a brave, resilient and inspirational young lady she is.

Her positive attitude is an example to us all. It's heart breaking to hear about everything Marley and her family have already been through and also the intensive treatment that lies ahead.

With the permission of Marley and her parents, we are hoping to assist with some fund raising and I know many of Marley's friends are already planning ways that this can be done.

We are all thinking about Marley and her family and look forward  
to receiving good news about her treatment cycle.

We can't wait for Marley to be back in a position where she can join us on a full time basis.

Best wishes, Marley.

Mr Sprakes

For more information, or to show your support, please visit the Marley's Message Crowdfunding page and the Marley's Message group on Facebook. A special thanks to Marley's form tutor for holding a fundraising bun sale last half term.