

Diary Dates 2014

Thursday 10 July

Celebration Day
Yr 12 Higher Education Evening

Friday 11 July

Year 13 Prom

Sunday 13 - Wednesday 16 July

Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expedition

Monday 14 July

Year 7 Reports will be published online
by end of the week

Friday 18 July

Big Finish
Last day of Summer Term
Finish at 1.25pm

Wednesday 3 September

FIRST DAY OF NEW SCHOOL YEAR
Year 7 - 8.45am (Assembly Hall)
Years 12 & 13 - 9.15am (Assembly Hall)
Years 8,9,10 & 11 - 11am (Tutor Rooms)

Thursday 25 September

Year 7, Year 10, Year 12 and 13
School Photographs

*For important dates throughout the
Academic Year please check the
school calendar on the website.*

CONGRATULATIONS

Year 10's Recognised at Work Experience Awards Evening

On June 26 Year 10 students and their families gathered to celebrate their success in a real work environment. At Jack Hunt we are committed to ensuring that students undertake two weeks of work experience which enables students to build self confidence, independence and to gain skills that will help them in their future careers.

This year over 250 students took part working with 210 employers in the Peterborough, surrounding areas and London. Employers came from 53 occupational areas including Retail, Sports & Leisure, Childcare, Animal Welfare and Mechanics.



With over 160 of these students nominated by their employers for an award, it was a tough task to narrow down the shortlist to just 43. There were some amazing comments from employers and students during the evening. One award winner Elliot Jarvis summed up his two weeks with *"Work experience has taught me the importance of observation, forward thinking and common sense. I would definitely recommend doing work experience – it was a brilliant thing to do. It has encouraged me to want to set up my own business. Before I went to WEX I never had correct equipment or kit for school and I wasn't bothered – now I see the point of school. I always try to bring the correct equipment and I really want to do well."* To see more comments from students and employers, as well as the full list of winners please visit the Jack Hunt website.



Students Receive Prestigious Diana Anti Bullying Ambassador Award

At Jack Hunt School we are very proud of our team of TIC (Talk in Confidence) Peer mentors Mrs Hamilton, Student Support Officer has been busy all year training and coordinating these students and now has a group of over 60 students trained and busy working around school supporting younger students and helping them to deal with issues such as bullying, family problems, settling in after transition from Primary school etc

This year Mrs Hamilton selected 15 students (from the TIC mentors to embark on a National Anti-Bullying training program run by The Diana Award. This has involved attending a regional and national training events alongside continuing their commitment to TIC within school.

Ten months after first registering with the Diana Award Mrs Hamilton nominated the students to receive the internationally recognised Diana Anti Bullying Ambassador award and is pleased to announce that all 15 students were successful in achieving this prestigious award making them the only 15 students in the whole of Peterborough to achieve this.

The International Awards ceremony was held in London at the Barclays Bank Headquarters and five Jack Hunt students from the group were invited to attend the ceremony. This was a fabulous event and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Mrs Hamilton



Headteacher's Column



I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for another year of dedicated commitment towards the

students in our care and our parents for all their continued support.

As we all, students, staff and parents alike, wait for the examination results this summer, I hope that our students will not be unfairly disadvantaged by the changes regarding early entry at GCSE or the information given in a recent letter from Ofqual, the

examinations watchdog, which warned Schools and Colleges across England to expect 'more variable' results at GCSE and A Level this summer following major changes to the qualifications system.

At this time of the year we say goodbye to members of staff who are leaving us for a wide variety of reasons. We wish the following the best of luck for the future and thank them for their service to the school either as teaching or support staff: Michaela Murthwaite; Hannah Seldon; Tom MacLennan; Dominic

Bowyer, Holly Toze; Yvette Connor; Tracey Bird; Katie Smith; Robynne Wilde; Sarah Biswas; Georgia Evans; Emilie Brown; James Crockatt; Beth Pugh; Suzanne Gray; Aurelie Lehmann; Kirtsy Whitwood; Preteesh Tank; Tracey Connor; Jayne Macklin; Steven Garratt; Katie Wilkins; James Crawley; Dan Gilbert; Laura Thurley; and Karen Leeman.

I wish you all a wonderful summer break with your family and look forward to welcoming the students safely back on 3 September for the new academic year.

Pamela Kilbey

Communication Leaders Assist Leeds Schools on Raising Literacy Profile

On Friday 27 June, eight Communication Leaders from Jack Hunt School visited the City of Leeds School to begin working with both Leeds East and Leeds West Academies on a joint project aimed at raising the profile of literacy across all three institutions. Evie Scarborough, Oliver Oakley, Safwan Rija, Sophie Foreman, Peter Whyman, Jasmine Bowes, Francine Kelly and Jaiden Chavda spent the day working with students from both Leeds schools, designing new resources for all our classrooms and training them to observe lessons and offer feedback to staff. In addition, we were joined by Caroline Bligh, Senior Lecturer in Education and Childhood from Leeds Metropolitan University, who ran a session exploring how bilingual learners might benefit from having Communication Leaders to help them in school.

Communication Leaders are students who are trained to co-plan and observe lessons, offer feedback to teachers undertake research tasks, marking scrutinies and developing new resources in school. We hope to extend this work with our cluster primaries and are very excited at the prospect of working in another large city and exploring how we can work together to improve learning and teaching across a number of schools. Watch this space!



Miss Simpson-Holley

Language & Culture Day Proves a Great Success

Students and staff were joined by pupils from local primary schools and members of the local community to celebrate cultural diversity both in the school and community at our annual Language and Culture Day. Students put together displays sharing their knowledge about countries and cultures around the world, many of which they or their families came from. Other students selected countries for which they were learning the language. There was also a British Sign Language stand explaining British Sign language manned by Hearing Support students and staff and a Fairtrade stall displaying information about Fairtrade around the world.

The event, organised by Mrs Hayat and Mr Nawaz, took place in the Main Hall and students not only showed information about the country but also had samples of native clothing, food and crafts. Visitors were able to sample different dishes including Pakistani Biryani, Bean cake, doughnuts and fried plantain from Africa, cakes, cheeses, meats and tortilla from Europe. Students were also on hand to paint Henna designs on visitors' hands. Visiting students / pupils were invited to complete the 19-question quiz to encourage them find out more from each of the displays.

Deputy Headteacher, Mr Gilligan, who was asked to judge the displays said *"I was very impressed with the standard of displays, the students had worked very hard and were very enthusiastic about sharing their knowledge about the countries."*

Congratulations to Eugene and Ibitomilayo and their team for their winning display on Africa. There were joint second places to Azad Kashmir and Afghanistan and third went to the German and French language stands. Visit the news section of the Jack Hunt website to read more about the event.



Miss Hayat

Chicken Watch 2014

During June we enjoyed watching a delivery of eggs from the Happy Chick Company hatch into an adventurous brood of chicks in the sensory room in Learning Support. A camera was set up and the story of the chicks can be seen in the Chicken Watch 2014 blogs on the website. Mrs McQuillan and Mrs Larrington, Learning Support got quite attached to the chicks giving them all appropriate names.

Students were given the opportunity to handle the chicks which for many was a completely new experience.



Mrs Larrington

Red Letter Learning Day

Jack Hunt School Communication Leaders ran Red Letter Learning Day 6 on Thursday 3 July. This is a termly opportunity for all students to feedback on their learning via graffiti walls, through interviews with other students and in photographs that are taken in lessons throughout the school. Today's key question was 'What is the best thing you have learnt in school this year?' Answers ranged from "how to mix paint properly" to "that I want to be a physiotherapist".

Ms Simpson-Holley



Junior Days are 'Life Changing'

We welcomed Year 6 students who will be starting in September to experience two days of activities, including getting to know their tutor group and start finding their way around the school.

Day two involved an integrated exercise working in groups to solve a mystery relating to Peterborough. The exercise involved using communication skills, negotiating and questioning skills as well as touching on subjects they will be studying such as history, geography, arts and crafts.

The pupils were each given two books as part of the school's commitment to encourage student independent reading - they have been asked to read one over the summer holidays ready for their return in September. One of the Y6 students told Mrs Kilbey that the two days had been 'life changing'.



The Future of News is Here!



For more information like this try: www.jackhunt.net - where you can find lots of useful information and up to date News about Events that have been taking place as well as our School Events Calendar.



The **E4Education School News App** - if you have an **iPhone** or **iPad**, you can receive Jack Hunt School News & Events straight to your apple device.



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The **KITE Learning Platform** contains lots of useful information about your own child including, Attendance, Behaviour & Achievement Information, Targets and other useful resources. Contact our main office requesting a "School Communication"



Head Prefects with Mrs Kilbey

Congratulations to New Head Prefects

Following interviews the new Head Prefects from Year 12 have been appointed. As the Year 13s have already left school, they have started to undertake their duties working with staff and students.

Congratulations to:

Head Girl - Rachel Jefferies Harris

Head Boy - Lewis Tuck

Deputy Head Girl - Megan Reddy / Mukosa Tengenisha

Deputy Head Boy - Steven Braby / Ahmed Bhimani

Mrs Franklin

Year 8 Student Wins Pride of Peterborough Award



Picture courtesy of Peterborough Telegraph

Congratulations to Year 8 student Golofnira Zadrán who won the Young Person of Courage and Achievement Award at the Pride in Peterborough Awards.

She arrived in the UK with no English and only German Sign Language, a sign system that is very different to British Sign

Language. Within a few months Golofnira had acquired a strong knowledge of BSL, passing her Level 1 in that short time. She has developed a strong grasp of basic English Language and is trying hard to learn to speak. As a teenager, this is a harder task.

She has been actively involved in delivering Deaf Awareness to trainee teachers from Cambridge University and UEA. She is also an active member of the local Deaf Children's charity: PDDCS Peterborough and District Deaf Children's Society. She is a positive role model to many of her peers; young and

Ms Quail

Well Done to D of E Bronze Students

Congratulations to those students who completed their Bronze Awards last year. They attended a drinks reception followed by the grand Award Ceremony at the Town Hall. The students received their Bronze Award from the new Mayor of Peterborough. Well done to all the students on their achievement and hard work.

Well done to all the Year 10 students who successfully completed their Bronze expedition in Rutland. The groups camped at Wing Hall for one night, walking up to 6-7 hours each day. The weather was very British!

A massive thank you to all the staff too who give up their time to support the award in school. The Bronze award will be launching in September for the current Year 9.

Mr O'Connor

COMMUNITY LEARNING



Community Learning News



Following the success of the May Holiday club, we are looking forward to a very busy Summer Holiday Club with a wide range of activities through Vivacity, Sports Xtra as well as a Disney Drama Workshop and Drum/Percussion sessions. Enjoy workshops for arts and crafts, dance, drama, cooking and a wide range of sports and activities. To find out more by getting the Summer Holiday Club flyer at www.jackhuntcluster.co.uk, **Holiday Clubs**.

Community Classes

Following the Keyboard exams held in May we are delighted that all students passed with a Merit and two with passed with Distinction. There will be new beginner keyboard classes starting on **Tuesdays at 5pm**, in order to join please contact Hannah Oliviero to register for a FREE taster session prior to starting classes.

Check out the Community classes on the Jack Hunt school website - there is always something going on - Football, Dhol Drumming, Table Tennis or Boxing.

New Football Club - 7-11 year age group

There will be a new Football Club on Saturday mornings from 10.30 - 11.45am, for 7-11 year olds.

Jack Hunt Dance & Theatre School News

Following recent Cecchetti Ballet Associate auditions, the Ballet School is delighted to announce that out of the 12 students who took part in the auditions, nine were given places (including Year 12 student, Jessica Deakin) and two were given places on the reserve list. This is an amazing result as there were over 200 students auditioning this year. The Associate classes are designed for talented students to gain extra tuition from experts in a wide range of dance styles. The students travel to London three times a term for these classes.

We are very proud of all our students and look forward to the results of the exams taking place in on 13 and 18 July.

Thank you to all the parents and families that came along to the Cresset to support the students in their production. The raffle at the show raised £173.00 for East Anglia's Children's Hospices



Transition Week - 21 - 25 July 2014

Transition Week is a fantastic opportunity for Year 6 children transitioning to Year 7 at Jack Hunt in September to develop practical skills and knowledge in a fun and friendly environment. It is also a great way to meet staff and more importantly to make new friends who will also be starting in September. Transition week takes place the first week of the Summer Holidays (21-25 July) between 9 and 3pm. Activities planned this year include Masterchef cooking, Crafting and Streetdance, range of sporting activities including cycling, waveboarding and rowing and the students will also have a chance to see and hold owls and hawks.

"Enrolling in the **free** Transition Week programme will also entitle you to receive a loyalty card which can be used to access any of the summer holiday activities in the brochure for free. Book as normal through the provider, but provide your loyalty card upon booking and you will not be charged.

If your son or daughter is shy or nervous about joining in, please be assured that children who attended last year thoroughly enjoyed the experience and were really pleased that they attended. In fact, they suggested more activities and we have listened; this year's Transition Week is even more action packed!

If you have any questions regarding Transition week or booking please contact Joanne Royle on 01733 263526 ext 129. Booking forms are also available on the Jack Hunt website under **Transition Week 2014 in 'For Parents'**.

