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GRAMMAR SCHOOL

The Great Get Together

The Big Sing

On Wednesday 19 June, as part of 'The Great Get Together' we took 48 students, ranging from Year 7 to 10, down to Heckmondwike Green to join in 'The Big Sing' celebration. It was a fantastic event, with many students from local schools all coming together for a great cause. Jo Cox's family were down at the park, singing along with us all, before coming back up to school for the rest of the day's activities. Thankfully the rain held off while we were singing and the students really got into the spirit of the event and showed their best moves off too. A huge thank you to the students who came down to sing and to, the staff who supported and it was lovely to see family members of our students joining us too.

We hope to be back next year to do it all over again!



The Great Get Together -Positivitree



Jo Cox's parents, Jean and Gordon Leadbeater, visited the school on Wednesday 19 June to take part in the HGS School's Great Get Together for students in Years 7 to 10.

In spite of a poor weather forecast (it is mid-June, after all) the sun made an appearance and meant that students were able to enjoy the dry and warm afternoon. Gordon and Jean chatted to students who were taking part in a conversation café where a menu of conversation topics helped students chat to each other.

The focus of the Great Get Together is to enable people

to talk to each other, especially if those people feel isolated and lonely. Picnic food was available for students to buy and eat outside with their friends. In addition, a chocolate tombola and bun sale raised over £250 for the Great Together charity. Students also brought unwanted toys to be donated to disadvantaged children.

After the picnic, messages of support were written to people who may be experiencing loneliness or isolation and these were put on display on a 'positivitree' (pictured above).

Students of the Week

Sam Jones 7JJS

Elliot King 8JPW, Jenna Hussain 8LRD & Patrick Sam 8MRL

Rafi Midgley 9JDR

Shreya Khanvilkar 10KFD, Harvey Varazinskis 10ALL, Raanya Qureshi 10ALL,

Jacob Braithwaite 10ALL

Hamzah Patel 12PAG

Parent Notices

W/C Monday 24 June - Year 9 Internal Exams

Tuesday 25 & Thursday 27 June - New Year Parents' Induction Evening

Wednesday 26 June - Year 11 Book Return Day

Friday 28 June - Year 11 Prom

Mathematics Department Focus

Various mathematical challenges have taken place during 2019. We have had the House Maths Competitions, UKMT Team Competitions, Sheffield Pop Maths Quiz and some more:

UKMT Intermediate Mathematical Challenge.

This year the 149 students entered achieved 9 Gold awards, 33 Silver awards and 46 Bronze awards.

Gold Award winners were:-

Ellis Speight (who was also best in school), Amna Murtaza, Spencer Gomersall, Aaliyah Rumana, Rutwij Patel, Connor Whitaker, Sam Wheatley, Waqas Hussain (all year 10) and Ronan Dsouza (year 9). Ellis qualified for the follow on Intermediate Olympiad competition, receiving a certificate of Merit. Amna, Spencer, Aaliyah, Rutwij, Connor, Sam and Ronan all qualified for the Kangaroo competition, with **Ronan, Connor and Sam** being awarded certificates of Merit.

UKMT Junior Mathematical Challenge

This year the 207 year 8 students entered achieved 38 Gold awards, 56 Silver awards and 59 Bronze awards.

Gold award winners were:-

Arshbir Sekhon, Harvey Swift, William Hughes, Rohan Patel, Alan Peter, Julia Millington, William Wang, Archie Hall, Divya Vijayanand, Hamza Aziz, Adwait Upasani, Noah Chapman, Louis Appleyard, Daniyaal Mehmood, Karthik Vemula, Pyarali Meghjee, Charlie Parker, Douglas Payne, Jumaimah Nawaz, Elliot Hoyland, Abdurrahmaan Dhorat, Matthew McCollam, Sidharth Boodhoo, Samuel Walshaw, William Parker, Jamie Allinson, Ismail Patel, Jack Blakeley, Alec Lai, Nikhila Chintakayala, Amaan Aslam, Aman Ali, Elijah Quddusi, Sahasra Vundavalli, Johnny Gavaghan, Gracie Kitching, Hannah Baporia and Betty Briggs.

Arshbir Qualified for the Junior Mathematical Olympiad.

Harvey, William, Rohan, Alan, Julia, William, Archie, Divya, Hamza, Adwait, Noah, Louis, Daniyaal, Karthik, Pyarali, Charlie, Douglas, Jumaimah, Elliot and Abdurrahmaan also qualified for the Junior Kangaroo

We are still awaiting the results of these two competitions.

Leeds University Half Term Mathematics Challenge

Over 400 students entered this challenge during February Half term across Yorkshire and this included 15 of our students. Well done especially to **Joshua Hargrave** who achieved a merit award and **Arshbir Sekhon** who achieved a commendation award in the Junior competition. Also, big congratulations to **Zain Alkhalidi** who achieved third place in the Senior Competition.

Year 7 Maths Problem Solving Club run by Ms Jarvis

Last half term the focus of the club was Escape Rooms. The students were tasked with creating a virtual escape room made up of a variety of clues that, once solved, would take them one step closer to escaping! The image below shows an extremely cryptic clue that defeated most of the rest of the members of the group!

The club runs on a Friday lunchtime and all year 7 students are welcome to attend.