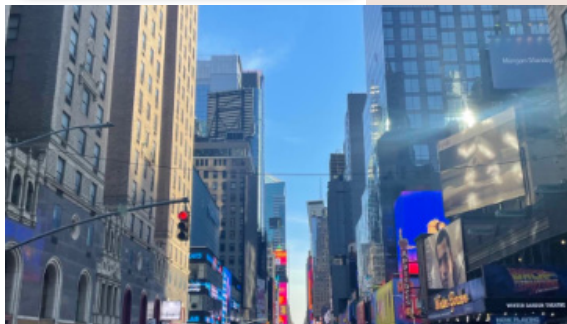




## BUSINESS, ECONOMICS AND FINANCE PATHWAY - NEW YORK TRIP - MAY 2024 -



On the last day of term, 41 students with Mrs Harker, Mrs Carter, Mr Stone and Mr Stevens set out for the excitement and bright lights of New York City. A mysterious suitcase appeared and a boarding card disappeared but we managed to fly. Impressively, living up to the school motto emblazoned on our hoodies, students could be found with their CGP books and laptops getting some studying done during the flight. We were soon on our way from JFK, Queens (the largest of the 5 New York boroughs) into Manhattan enjoying an informative, non-stop commentary. A quick check-in at our conveniently located YMCA and we headed out to a buzzing Times Square where an abundance of sailors was in for Fleet Week. Memorabilia from legends of American culture surrounded us as we sat down to a welcome burger & cookies at the Hard Rock Café.



A short walk past the Lincoln Centre took us to breakfast and fuelled us for the day ahead. We meandered through Central Park, looking up at the multi-million apartments and observing native New Yorkers taking their jogs and dogs out on the bank holiday Memorial Weekend. On a jaunt down 5th Avenue we had to stop at Trump Tower to watch the commotion as Donald emerged – great snap by Ayan (ed – I'll give you this one but I know you were pulling our leg with Pep at the Etihad!) A real highlight was the view from the 'Top of the Rock' the Rockefeller Centre over the concrete jungle. The afternoon was spent in true American style – soaking up the atmosphere of the national pastime, at a ball game... 'Let's go Mets!'. A bit of free time to grab dinner – Raising Cane's was a popular choice and students now know which influencers they agree with – before enjoying the magnificence of Wicked on Broadway. [Click here](#) for full article

### Further Olympiad Success in Mathematics



Congratulations to Kaysan Abdullah in year 9 achieved a distinction award in the Cayley Olympiad which is an exceptional achievement.





# Youth Theatre 'Grimm Tales' triumph!

Youth Theatre put on a FANTASTIC production of Grimm Tales on Thursday 23rd May. We saw a dramatic Rumpelstiltskin, a comic Ashputtel, a moving Snow White, a feisty Little Red Cap, a compelling Lady and the Lion, and an epic Hansel and Gretel. Maryam Mirza, Y8, said, 'The skilful performances were delivered with such enthusiasm, and it was delightfully creative.' Thanks to the Site team and DT for their support...but the biggest congratulations go to the cast who largely self-directed, and to the Music and

Tech team who helped to make it such a spectacle. Well done!



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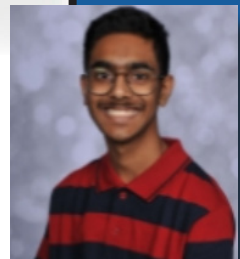
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*Creative Excellence Competition 2023/24*

Congratulations to Anish Srikanth in Year 12



Dear Anish

The Creative Excellence competition that you have taken part in has generated a huge response, and has demonstrated the brilliant creativity emerging from our schools and colleges.

As a member of the judging panel, I can speak for all involved that it was an absolute privilege to share, debate and discuss the submissions that ranged from creative writing, illustration, fine textiles, short films, and animations.


The technical skill, creativity and originality was of the highest order and made the selection process both enjoyable and incredibly difficult.

It is with this in mind that we are delighted to inform you that you have been shortlisted for exhibition here at the University of Huddersfield, as part of the School of Arts & Humanities graduate showcase that celebrates our own students' creative excellence.

The exhibition will be open to the public from the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> June 10am to 4pm.

We will hold a celebration event for all the shortlisted entries and a prize winner ceremony for the category winners on 19<sup>th</sup> June at 4:30pm on campus at the Barbara Hepworth Building and we'd love to see you there!

Congratulations!



Dr Liam Devlin  
Director of Internationalisation

## Dales Way



During half-term Phoebe and her mum walked Appletreewick to Dent which was 40 miles, this was completed in 3 nights and 3.5 days. Previous to this they had hiked Ilkley to Appletreewick a couple of weekends earlier and camped in Appletreewick as a test run (12 mile hike).



We are sure you will agree that Phoebe has been absolutely amazing, mum said the she never complained, they carried all their own gear including food and camped each night on pretty remote

Phoebe Keyes in year 7 is attempting a 70-mile hike over the Dales Way, in the hope of raising funds for Cancer research. She and her mum have been backpacking and camping in the hope to complete the challenge in 6 days/5 nights. So far she has completed 52 miles of the 82 miles of the Dales Way. The remainder of the challenge will take on 21-23 June.

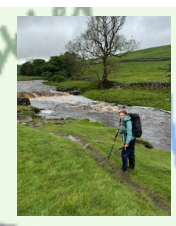
farms mostly, with very basic facilities. Phoebe's backpack weighed 18lb so she did amazingly well to carry it all that way.

The challenge, to date, has not been without its obstacles. Phoebe started with a cold on the Thursday of the first part of the challenge and, as the Friday's hike was a 15 miler over remote land between Sedbergh and Burneside it was decided, due to Phoebe being an asthmatic, to postpone and not to risk bringing on an asthma attack, which has in the past resulted in several hospital admissions due to low oxygen levels, the thought of anything happening and having to call mountain rescue secured the postponement. Phoebe was gutted to stop.

She has so far raised £756.25 for Cancer research, including gift aid. Phoebe is hoping to raise a bit more on the next leg. They have had a great response from people. With strangers along the way sponsoring her. Even the bed and breakfast accommodation have offered to let them camp and have breakfast for free on the next leg, it's been a great experience not just for her but for mum too!



Anish has been shortlisted, after submitting a poem, for The Creative Excellence Competition run through The University of Huddersfield. His work, will be exhibited at the University from now until 21st June and due to his success has been invited to attend the prize winner ceremony - so fingers crossed he also gets a win!



We are sure you join us in wishing Phoebe all the best with the reminder of her challenge and look forward to hearing about her experience in full once completed.



**DIARY DATES**

**Wednesday 19 & Thursday 20 June** - Open Evenings 17.00-20.00

**Friday 21 June** - Inset Day - School Closed to students

**Monday 24 & Tues 25 June** - 6th Form Experience day - Year 12 Home study Day

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