

Issue 32

Global Learning from the Heart of our Community



PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

I was delighted to have the opportunity to talk about the school live on-air recently as part of BBC Radio Northampton's Monday afternoon programme. It was interesting to reflect on where we have come from over the past six years as Elizabeth Woodville School, and the history of the two schools before that. We are looking forward to the 60th anniversary of a secondary school in Deanshanger next year, just as we did in Roade last year. It was also an opportunity to discuss the many activities, successes and efforts of our students. We have had an exceptionally busy end of term with activities celebrating students achievements, sports days- during which our students ran the Race for Life this year, trips to France and Norfolk, school proms, and a wonderful presentation evening for students who have achieved a Duke of Edinburgh scheme award. It was also fascinating to listen to some of our year 12 students present the research they had individually undertaken for their Extended Project Awards. These were in a range of topics, from the representation of women in horror movies to the physics of music, and demonstrated an incredible breadth and depth of study, alongside the students' commitment to university-style independent research. We wish all those students leaving us the very best in their future careers and family lives. Mr J Bennett

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Exam Results

Post 16 Results day 17th August 2017

Yr 13 9am

Yr 12 10am

Upper College Results day 24th August 2017

Yr 11 9am

Yr 10 10am

On Monday 26th June, a group of Year students visited Sky Academy's Skills Studio in London. During the day students took a tour around Sky's Headquarters and TV Studios, heard about career opportunities within Sky and produced a news reports using Sky's world class facilities.

Ross Fairley, Year 12 wrote the following: "Our visit to the Sky Academy was a fulfilling trip full of opportunities for all people who went. Learning about the fascinating sets and equipment used was an interesting experience, and seeing how programmes go from filming to being broadcast was an eye opening part of the day. The tour gave us an insight into how sky creates its award winning television, and the engaging staff were happy to help with any questions we had. Making our own new broadcast in our 4 sub teams gave us the chance to express our individual identity while working as part of a team. It also gave us the chance to discover skills we never knew we had."

Sam Squire: "It was a good opportunity to see Sky Studios"

Ali Durante: "I really enjoyed the day"

Benedict Fenton: "The camera equipment surprised me because it was the best I had ever seen"

You can see the news report that students created here: <https://youtu.be/FsMZT4XKn-M>



EWS and the Royal British Legion celebrate the Queens Sapphire Jubilee

For 65 years, Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, has reigned as monarch of the United Kingdom and the commonwealth Realms - a reign during which the Empire dissolved, vast leaps were made for civil rights, and the world changed irrevocably. In many ways, we do not just honour the number of years, or celebrate that there is a precious jewel affixed to this anniversary, but all that has happened under Her Majesty's monarchy. Perhaps more than any other monarch, she has selflessly pursued the interests of the British people, putting the nation first, and endeavoured to keep the monarch relevant in the modern world.

Raising over £140, the Elizabeth Woodville School's party to celebrate the Sapphire Jubilee was a tremendous success - just another shining example of the community coming together, of the great efforts of students and staff and of the school's growing cooperation of with the Deanshanger branch of the Royal British Legion. Accompanied by the music of Vera Lynn and others from Her Majesty's youth, the guests enjoyed tea, coffee, cakes and conversation. A particularly point of amusement was the raffle draw, with one forced to wonder just why it was that one table seemed especially lucky with the draw. As yet another part of councillor Allen Walkers extensive involvement with the village community, he had the honour of cutting the first slice of our specially made cake, posing for a photo with a raffle winner. The Elizabeth Woodville School would like to thank all who helped to make the event possible, especially the fantastic work of the RBL, and to all who attended. We are hopeful that such an event will become an annual occurrence.

Aiden Stenlake 12KWs

Pictured below, councillor Allen Walker and a lucky raffle winner



A local company in Leighton Buzzard who manufacture shower and wet rooms have donated a very generous amount of free plywood to the Design technology Department.

We plan to use these materials to support the GCSE and yr12 projects allowing students to make even larger practical pieces and from higher quality materials than they would normally have access to. These materials are greatly appreciated and we thank On the Level for their generous donation.

<http://www.onthelevel.co.uk/>



Pictured above: some of the materials donated by On the Level.

EWS Design technology Department would also like to say a big thank you to Lima Kitchens, Milton Keynes who have kindly donated some spare wood and kitchen doors to be used in school projects in Design Technology for September. Gemma from Lima Kitchens is looking forward to seeing the projects the students have created from the donated materials, which we hope will be completed by December, so watch this space!

<http://limakitchens.co.uk/?gclid=CMiN69z6g9UCFW4R0wodyCMJUQ>

The CILIP Carnegie Medal is the oldest children's book award in the UK, awarded by children's librarians to an outstanding book written for children and young people. This year celebrated its 80th anniversary.

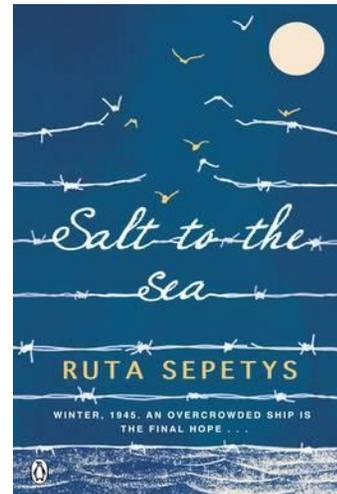


The CILIP Carnegie & Kate Greenaway Children's Book Awards

The Carnegie Shadowing Scheme encourages children to read the eight books shortlisted for the award, and to join in with discussion and debate. The scheme is run through book clubs, schools and libraries.

EWS have run a shadowing scheme for many years, and over the last few years have been invited to Sponne Schools annual Carnegie Event. This year was no exception, and on Friday 9th June, fifteen EWS students, from years 7 to 9, accompanied by two members of staff, went to Sponne School. After much conversation and discussion on the books, the two schools separated into groups for the annual Carnegie Quiz. We are very proud to announce that the two EWS teams came first and second. Our thanks go to Mrs Romain, the Librarian at Sponne, for her hard work in organising and hosting this thoroughly enjoyable event.

Mrs Pitson, Librarian



Pictured above, the cover of the 2017 CILIP Carnegie Medal winner, *Salt to the Sea* by Ruta Sepetys.

This World War 2 novel is about the little known maritime disaster of the sinking of the German ship the *Wilhelm Gustloff* in 1945. Most of the passengers on board were civilians trying to escape the advancing Russian Army.

A very well deserved winner, this book was a favourite amongst our students.

EWS Students poem published in Busta Rhymes competition

News just in - Feebee Taylor 9KHn, is one of only 200 students nationwide who has had a poem published in a recent Busta Rhymes UK schools competition. We would like to congratulate Freebee on her amazing achievement.

On the 5th and 6th July Elizabeth Woodville hosted an enterprise and innovation day for year 5 students from local primary schools. The day supported the development of key skills such as communication, collaboration and innovation. Mr Couzens hosted the event with the support of the business team and our very own student ambassadors.

The students were split into teams and they had to work together throughout the morning to complete a number of business and enterprise activities.

Students were introduced to business and innovation and key terms were discussed. Students then had to identify as many business logos as possible in a short space of time. The students did really well during this task and were very enthusiastic.

The main task required the groups to make and sell origami. This really tested the teams business and team working skills. The group had a £500 budget to start with to spend on paper. A design sheet with specifications indicated what the teams needed to make. Once the group had completed a design they could then sell it. There were various designs which ranged in complexity and selling price. The designs could be sold as long as the buyer approved the quality.

Throughout the session prices would increase or decrease to replicate the effects of the economy and students charged tax. At the end, each team had to count their money and a prize was awarded to the winning team.

We were really proud of our ambassadors and how they interacted with the year 5 students. We also look forward to welcoming some of the budding year 5 entrepreneurs into EWS in the future. It was a fantastic 2 days and one school commented; it was day full of excitement, risks and adrenaline rush. With experience on our arm, we can easily become a businessman/ businesswoman.

Our ambassador comments

It was a great day for everyone and the year fives went home with smiling faces.

The morning was superb

It was nice as we had the opportunity to interact with different ages and meet new people. I enjoyed talking to my old teachers and friends from my previous school. I really enjoyed the experience and would love to do it again.

The students enjoyed the project and left with news skills, made new friends and had a glimpse of what secondary is like.



This year, a fantastic 66 EWS students entered the BBC 500 words competition. Congratulations to them all for their hard work and the effort they put in. We would particularly like to congratulate Isabel Franchi, 8FC, whose story “Fly Away” was shortlisted from 131798 entries nationwide to the last 5000. What an amazing achievement and we are delighted to print Isabel’s story below.



Fly Away

“It happened again, last night at six o’clock. Another hurricane. Another family destroyed. All those children gone in a swoop of wind”, mother muttered, “I have to think about your safety before anything else, you’ll all have to leave this afternoon”. I couldn’t believe it. I wouldn’t believe it. What would happen to us? It was so confusing.

Our whole world was demolished. Our whole world had shattered.

As I was the youngest sibling my brothers and sisters regularly teased me, but not my oldest brother, he looked out for me. So we vowed to stick by each other whatever happened. We spent the rest of the morning handing out hugs and after a tearful goodbye we dispersed up towards the sun. I desperately clung to my brother; we had always been so close. I could feel the wind trying to separate us as we were swept on and on and up and up. Suddenly our hands slipped, we couldn’t hold on any longer. We were driven apart from one another.

I felt so vulnerable. I felt so lonely.

Although it was intimidating at first, I realised that there was a whole other world around me which made my home seem so insignificant.

I saw a completely different life before me.

I dodged the spikes guarding a beautiful building.

I twisted around the dome of a massive Cathedral.

I saw my reflection in towers of glass.

I drifted into a tree and through the newly grown leaves I could see the hustle and bustle of city life.

The breeze suddenly picked up again, I grasped the leaves surrounding me and turned my head only to see massive grey feathers, razor sharp claws, a small beady eye and a beak as sharp as a saw. The mythical beast lifted a wing and soared off into the blue sky. I was hypnotised by such a stunning performance that I lost my balance and found myself falling towards the ground. My fall was broken by branches and leaves when a gust of wind picked me back up, encouraging me to carry on with my treacherous journey.

As I swayed, rocked and floated, I could see the ground coming closer and closer.

“I’m almost there” I called as loud as I could, forgetting that nobody could possibly hear me. Then I heard something I had been waiting to hear for such a long time:

“Right behind you!” I would have recognised that voice anywhere. It was my beloved brother. At that moment I landed on the earth between some pathing stones in a garden. It would have been a perfect spot if only my brother had been there with me. I called out wondering where he was. No reply. I tried again. Still no reply. A wisp of white tickled the back of my neck. Could it be? Could it possibly be him?

YES!

At last reunited with my brother, I knew our generation of dandelions would survive.

Congratulations to Katie Kitchen, one of EWS Science technicians, who recently appeared on The Chase. Here is Katie's account of her experience.

I filled in an application form, at the programmes website, in summer 2014 much to the amusement of my family. I heard nothing until a phone call in September 2015. They talked to me to get a general feel of how I came across. They asked me 20 questions. I felt such a fool I got about 8 right - not a chance, I thought. Two weeks later they rung back, asked similar questions and invited me for an audition in Oxford, Cambridge or London. I chose to go to a hotel in Cambridge - ITV were paying after all!

The research crew then gave us a briefing and we had a 50 question form to fill in in a fixed time. I didn't complete it, I'm going home, I thought. The guy who was very bright next to me finished but he went home, as did the girl in front who hardly answered any questions. Next the crew split us into groups of four and we did a mock chase with push buttons. If you answered out of turn, home you went to be substituted by the next person. This was brutal. I survived! I deserved my hearty supper that evening and drove home exhausted. ITV will contact me in due course - I'd made it to being on the contestant list.

Over a year later in October 2016, I got a call to say my turn had come up. Then a date: I would be filmed 16th January.

We were briefed on engaging with our fellow team members, Bradley and the chaser. To help each other, have fun and expect to go home with nothing - most win zero! It all makes good TV. They film 3 shows a day and had done 7 days on the trot. The crew were tired as they had been at work since 0630. We were last at a 3.30 start for filming.

We met Bradley who was slimmer than expected, was lovely and warm with twinkly blue eyes. He genuinely does not know who our Chaser is until they bowl down the aisle. I wanted Shaun Wallace aka The Dark Destroyer as he has such a range of knowledge and I respect him for winning Mastermind twice. Bingo - Shaun was our Chaser.

I was rubbish on my cash builder compared to normal at home. I get 8-10 there. I wasn't nervous but my questions were not in my area. I decided to take the chaser's high offer £30,000; most people go home with nothing, so we might as well give some excitement to Bradley, the viewers, Shaun the chaser, and my team. It was a one question shoot out all the way down! I don't remember the questions, except they were all guesses, other than the last one about the number of coins in UK currency. It was fun to see my teams faces when I went big - horror!

I was so relieved to get back I hardly remember any of the rest of the show being filmed. We all got back for the final chase with £45,000 in the pot. Our questions were horrible and we were very slow, even though Lisa had the quickest quiz brain I have ever come across. With a 4 head start, we got 12 questions! Not enough usually. Still, most go home with nothing. Shaun's questions were as bad as ours! We got 8 push backs, which was what won it for us.

I still can't believe we won. It was such a shock - I'd never had that much money to do anything I wanted with. Shaun came back to the green room to congratulate us; he is much taller and muscular than the TV shows him. We were asked to keep out of social media until 10 days before broadcast date and not look at social media during transmission because of Trolls. My husband was intrigued - the trolls were definitely out! I'd do it all again in a heartbeat - especially if I won again - Tipping Point maybe here I come!

September 2017

Monday 4th September - School reopens for Students
 Wednesday 27th September - South Campus Open Evening
 Thursday 28th September - North Campus Open Evening

October 2017

Thursday 12th October - Goal Setting Evening
 Tuesday 17th October - Goal Setting Evening
 Further information on these evenings will be available next term

Academic year 2017 to 2018

Term	<i>Training Days</i>	Open to pupils on the morning of	Closed at the end of the afternoon on
Term 1	<i>Friday 1st September 2017</i>	Monday 4 th September 2017	Friday 20 October 2017
Term 2		Monday 30 October 2017	Friday 15 th December 2017
Term 3	<i>Tuesday 2nd January 2018</i>	Wednesday 3 January 2018	Friday 9 February 2018
Term 4		Monday 19 February 2018	Thursday 29 March 2018
Term 5		Monday 16 April 2018	Friday 25 May 2018
Term 6	<i>Monday 2nd July 2018</i>	Monday 4 June 2018	Friday 20 July 2018

A huge well done and congratulations to our amazing Sports Leaders who have been responsible this term for leading the Primary Kwik Cricket Festival on North, Primary tennis competition, the Key Stage 1 festival on North, Foundation Festival on South and led a variety of sports at the Summer Games at Moulton. We are very fortunate to have such high quality leaders who are always very supportive and professional in their approach to working with the Department and the Primary Cluster. We look forward to offering you more opportunities to develop your skills further next year.

South leaders: Abigail Babcock, Lauren Benn, Megan Bulford, Charlie Burgess, Ellie Burns, Rachel Clemson, Holly Ditum, Alyssa Engalnd, Jasmine Farnam, Leagh Fletcher, Jasmine Herbert, India Laverick, Emily Lockett, Lara Maddock, Maisie Ransley, Bryony Robertson, Chloe Simpkins, Heidi Taylor, Emily Tully, Charlotte Vango, Lottie Barrow, Panna Polgar, Megan Thorpe, Tom Kesterton-Bennet, Bryony Russell, Amelia Brock.

North Leaders: Faith Smith, Amber Thorpe, Tilly Skippen, Annie Skippen, Amelia Darts, Ramnik Chokkrar, Grace Jeffels, Rebecca Nott, Yami Moloteni, Hannah Gledhill, Grace Craddock, Kasey Tuck, Abigail Gosling, Jasmine Snell, Feebee Taylor, Sophie Green, Izzy Cousin, Emma Orton, Emma Westwood, Kayla York, India Abbott. Amy Penn, Olivia Lamb, Eloise Middleton, Izzy Russo, Dani Wheeldon, Amelia Skippen, Chloe C-P, Chloe Collins, Jen Brown. Henrik Atkins - Maher, Sam Foster.

Quote from a parent attending one of the festivals..

“I wanted to drop you a quick note to say how great some of the students on North Campus were today.

I've recently returned from North Campus after watching the KS1 schools PE competition. I believe most of the pupils who were helping at the competition were Yr9 students. They were all really polite, helpful and friendly towards the young KS1 children. Credit where it is due - what a lovely group of children. I heard other parents making similar comments so this isn't just my own opinion.”

Drowning Prevention Course @ Nene White Water Rafting Centre

On June 21st a group of students attended the Nene White Water Rafting centre, in order to develop skills in drowning prevention in open water. Students spent the day learning about the dangers of open water and how to protect themselves and others in danger. It was a successful and informative trip with students developing knowledge and understanding in a range of areas.

Students attending:

Kiera Ford, Morgan Harkin, Isabella Bowers, Cameron Turner, Thomas Axisa, Letitcia Bull, Jasmine Oakey, Joseph Havens, Mr Earl.



Pictured left:
Mr Earl and students at
the Nene White Water
Rafting centre

Year 7 & 8 North site swimming gala - Monday 10th July

Well done to all those swimmers who took part and represented their forms. Swimmers swam in different heats and were judged on time - the final results of these races are below. All swimmers earned points towards the form competition and race winners have earned themselves some achievement points too.

Event	Girls winner	Form	Boys winner	Form
1 length backstroke	Megan Goram	7CM	Max Edwards	7ME
1 length breastroke	Ruby Cummins	7ME	Harvey Collins	7PH
1 length freestyle	Audrey Griffin	8MJ	Michael Holder	7DV
1 length butterfly	Millie Smith	8KF	Max Turnbull-Phillips	7PH

Event	Girls winner	Form	Boys winner	Form
2 lengths backstroke	Olivia Sarnecka	7ME	Max Turnbull-Phillips	7PH
2 lengths breastroke	Ruby Cummins	7ME	Harvey Collins	7ME
2 lengths freestyle	Millie Smith	8KF	Callum King	8KF
4 x 1 freestyle relay		8KF		7PH
4 x 1 medley relay		8KF		7ME

Interform competition results

1st 7ME 2nd 7PH 3rd 8KF

4th 8MJ 5th 8CM 6th 7DV

We also offered our strongest swimmers the opportunity to compete in a 100m Individual medley (where they swim a length of each stroke). There was some excellent swimming demonstrated in these events and well done to those that took part in the challenge. The girls winner was Millie Smith of 8KF and the boys winner was Max Turnbull-Phillips of 7PH.

Finally a big thank you to the year 9 leaders who helped the event run smoothly, with a special mention to Olivia Lamb who was brilliant.

Mrs Tuplin

Year 7&8 District Athletics @ Ken Marriott Stadium, Rugby Thursday 8th June.

On a rather wintery Thursday afternoon in June the Year 7&8 Athletics teams made their way over to Rugby for the District Athletics Competition. Students supported each other well and saw some excellent individual performances from their peers. A huge well done to:

Y7:

Maddie Drage - 1st 100m, 200m and Long Jump - a certain name to watch out for in the future.

Karoline Hollick - 3rd in the Long Jump

Edward Johnson - 2nd 1500m

Dylan McCrimmon - 4th Javelin

Owen Poole - 5th Shot Put

Noah Poole - 5th 100m

Maddie, Karoline, Edward were selected to represent the County on Monday 3rd July at Rockingham Triangle, Corby.

They performed amazingly and to their absolute credit represented South Northamptonshire which won the competition overall. Maddie achieved 1st in the 200m with a new personal best of 29.98; Karoline came 4th in the Long Jump and Edward finished 2nd in the 1500m. A huge well done and congratulations for your excellent results.

Y8:

Dylan Robinson - 1st in the Long Jump (4.98m) and 1st in the triple jump breaking the 10 year district record by jumping 10.63m - awesome achievement.

Sophie Emery - 3rd in High Jump.

Harry Botterill - 4th in Javelin

Bradley Watson - 4th Discus

Well done to both teams on your efforts and achievements during the event.

North Y7 Girls Team: Captain - Maddie Drage, Elise Sparks, Jasmine Oakey, Freya Hunphries, Karoline Hollick, Jade Potter, Ruby Cummins, Kiera Ford, Libbie Abbott, Yasmine Potter, Tish Bull.

South Y7 Girls Team: Captain - Lara Chambers, Jasmine Nicholls, Hannah Smith, Taylor Thorn, Katie Lakey, Paris Griffin, Summer Ward, Chloe Harris, Lucy Kempson, Olivia Halasz

South Y7 Boys Team: Captain - Owen Poole, Jack Richardson, Max Cole, Mac Fulton, Ed Johnson, Toby Watson, Dylan McCrimmon, Matty Price

North Y8 Girls Team: Captain - Grace Farbon, Aaliyah Bradshaw, Maliah Rosetti, Millie Smith, Megan Goram, Sophie Emery, Sophie Christie, Amie Sparks, Audrey Griffin.

North Y8 Boys Team: Captain - Dylan Robinson, Harry Botterill, Nathan Gritten, Charlie Turnbull, Ted Flynn.

South Y8 Girls Team: Captain - Eleanor Ansell, Brooke Hurrel, Pippa Tunstall, Hannah Dunkley, Theo Wooding, Maddie Thomson, Storm Blades

South Y8 Boys Team: Captain - Joseph Spencer, Kieran Sadler, Joel Marklove, Andrew Radford, Connor Rowe, Ed Gellett, Josh Lee, Harry Ryan, Bradley Watson, Josh Badenhorst

SPORTS DAYS: SOUTH - Tuesday 18th July NORTH - Thursday 20th July

What an amazing atmosphere and demonstration of sportsmanlike conduct and effort experienced at both of our sports days this year. Students took part in a range of inter-form events throughout the morning, and then ran the 5k Race 4 Life in the afternoon followed by the form relay finals. Staff and students joined together to take part in the events which were hugely successful. A huge thank you to all staff who supported the days and to the excellent students we have at EWS, for making the days such a huge success. T Cotter

Winning forms:

South: Y7 - 7CC; Y8 - 8SH; Y9 - 9NF; Y10 - 10FL

North: Y7 - 7DV; Y8 - 8MJ; Y9 - 9JT; Y10 - 10HK

EWS school Sports Day supporting Cancer Research UK Race for Life.

