



## World Challenge Fundraising



The World Challenge Expedition team have been in action again. This time the Challengers arranged and hosted an auction and even managed to entice a celebrity auctioneer to appear on the night.

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December the Challengers welcomed Ricky Groves, who plays Garry Hobbs in EastEnders, to the school. Ricky had kindly agreed to appear as the guest auctioneer for the evening and entertained the audience throughout the night.

A host of fantastic lots were on offer, including: dancing lessons with Anton and Erin from the BBC hit show 'Strictly Come Dancing'; VIP tickets to a sold out Take That concert; Lunch with Carole Thatcher; VIP tickets to 'An Evening with Ricky Hatton'; signed sports memorabilia along with many other amazing items to suit all wallets and purses.

The generosity displayed by the members of the audience was fantastic and resulted in the event raising in excess of £2000. The money was a welcome boost to the funds the Challengers are raising to help with the community work they are undertaking whilst in Peru.

The next event is taking place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February, a Strictly Come Dancing themed Valentine's Ball at Sywell hanger. Organised in conjunction with the Warwickshire and Northamptonshire Air Ambulance, this black tie event will have everything: Auction; Raffle; Three course meal; Dancing and special performance by Anton and Erin from the BBC television show, Strictly Come Dancing. Tickets cost £45 and are disappearing fast so get in quick if you would like to be part of what is sure to be a fantastic evening. Contact Miss Wiggins or Mr Austen if you would like tickets or further information.



## World Challenge Training Expedition

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January the World Challenge team set off to Buxton, in the heart of the Peak District, for their training expedition in preparation for their departure to Peru this summer. Nerves were already jangling as we headed up the M1 and the sight of snow falling as we entered the hills did little to ease the anticipation. As we arrived at the World Challenge training centre, the Challengers were under no illusion about how hard they were going to have to work over the next 3 days, teamwork was going to be crucial.

The Challengers started by having a series of intensive sessions on equipment, safety, cooking before piling on more layers of clothing and heading up to the first campsite in the dark.

On arrival at the site the team began to pitch tents and cook the evening meal, another steep learning curve. Following a satisfying meal of pasta the team settled in for an early night in preparation for the trek the following day. Sub-zero temperatures gave the Challengers a real insight into what they may expect when camping at altitude in the Peruvian Andes.

An early start on the Saturday morning, followed by porridge for breakfast and then out into the hills for a day of trekking, lost person scenarios, and general team building. The weather was smiling on us that day and although it was cold at times, the team was in high spirits and thoroughly enjoyed the day.

The final night, although slightly warmer, was significantly wetter with torrential downpours and high winds all night. Fortunately these abated before it was time to get up on Sunday morning. No lie in for the team however, it was up and back to the centre for equipment checks and a review of the weekend.

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# Romeo and Juliet at Stratford-on-Avon

The English department have had a busy couple of weeks with two trips to see Romeo & Juliet in Stratford. A coach of Year nine students went out both this week and last to see the highly stylised production. They are currently studying Romeo and Juliet for their first piece of GCSE English coursework. Students first took part in an a very interactive workshop by The Royal Shakespeare Company in which the students explored the characters and themes in the same way that the actors do when they begin rehearsing. The workshop was part of the Royal Shakespeare Company's campaign to 'Stand up for Shakespeare' to ensure that students have a positive experience of Shakespeare when they are at school by watching it live and by getting to perform it themselves. We are currently working with students in option groups on acting, costume and set design and are planning our own production of Romeo in the coming weeks. By doing this we hope that we can explore the play in a way which ensures the students have a positive experience.

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## Year 13 Psychology Research Acknowledgements

In the autumn term, Psychology students in year 13 designed and carried out their own piece of psychological research and the department would like to thank anyone who agreed to participate in their studies. All research was successfully completed by the end of term and written up in a 2,000 word report for external assessment. Results will be published in March.

Students chose their own topic for study, within ethical boundaries, and there were some interesting areas investigated such as; gender differences in obedience to the red light at pedestrian crossings; whether the level of physical attractiveness affects the sentence given for a crime, and explanatory style when accounting for victory or defeat in football matches. This coursework presented many challenges to the students and they are to be commended for their determination to achieve their goals. Particular congratulations for outstanding work go to N Fredua-Mensah, L Jaeger, D Johnson and B Richardson for outstanding work.

## Books for Schools

Caroline Chisholm School have registered for the "Books for Schools" campaign starting in the Sunday Times and The Times which started this month.

Times Education is committed to helping teachers, parents and children to gain access to some of the best books for young readers, and to help to spread the enjoyment of reading. Their aim is to help schools to encourage pupils to read, giving them the chance to develop their imaginations and improve their literacy skills.

Each day during the school term in 2009, readers of The Times and The Sunday Times can collect tokens that can be redeemed for free books. Books are available for as little as ten tokens, the school could benefit from hundreds of free books next year.

Collection boxes are situated in the library for students to post their tokens.

# Under 17 County Cup Football Match versus Duston

Monday 15 December 2008

The phrase, 'giving a hundred and ten percent' was defined on Monday 15th December 2008. After falling behind to three second half goals, it looked like the lads were going to crash out of the competition at the second hurdle. Their first goal, which made the score 3-1, looked like it would prove little more than a consolation effort as full time loomed. With two more goals in a spectacular ten minute period at the end of regulation time however, CCS pushed the game into extra time. Unfortunately, Duston scored again and, as the second ten minute session of extra time began, CCS were once again out of the cup. Just as they had in regulation time though, the team rallied and found two more goals to seal an amazing 5-4 victory. Goal scorers included L Mitchell, S Heavey, B Stanmore and two from J Richards. Almost impossible to pick a man of the match from a fixture filled with outstanding performances. With a stunning brace and some excellent endeavour, often as the lone striker, however, captain J Richards deserves some honourable mention.

## I.C.T. News Page Goes Live



Keep in touch with developments and achievements in the I.C.T. curriculum from Primary to Post 16.

Content includes;  
a showcase of excellence,  
events and competitions,  
new software installations,  
new projects.

This month features the Year 6 *Lego Mindstorm* robotic race, the best of the games created by year 9 students and animation excellence from Year 11 CiDA students.

To view the I.C.T. News page, go to the "Intranet"... "I.C.T." ... and click on "I.C.T. News" link. Login with either your network **username** and **password** or as a **guest** with the enrolment key **chisholm**.

*Each month, all students who have featured on the I.C.T. News page are entered into a monthly draw and could win one of 3 USB memory sticks.*



## Spanish Trip

### Reminder to Parents

The Spanish trip payment of £135 is due in by Wednesday 4th February. Consent slips should also be handed in by this date.

# Hunsbury and Nene Valley SCT Surgeries at Caroline Chisholm School

**Come along and meet your Safer Community Team** - PC Kev Smith, PCSO Ron Calvert and Senior Youth Worker from Wootton and East Hunsbury Youth Project - Jenny Evans. They will be visiting Caroline Chisholm School on the following dates: Monday 9th February, Monday 2nd March and Monday 23rd March between 12 and 1.30 pm in the Library. This is *your* opportunity to raise any issues or concerns you may have and pick up advice on Keeping yourself safe, Bullying, Anti-Social Behaviour and Road Safety. To contact your Safer Community Team call 08456 700700 and ask for the Hunsbury and Nene Valley SCT, or email [SCTHunsburyNeneValley@northants.police.uk](mailto:SCTHunsburyNeneValley@northants.police.uk).

## Year 7 Pupils Join the Market Square Redevelopment Debate



The **Community** theme in the Year 7 **Create** curriculum has given students the opportunity to use a range of ICT tools to offer their solutions for the redevelopment of Northampton's Town Centre. Their challenge in this theme is to put Northampton "back on the map" by raising its' profile as a unique and thriving market town. With the advice and help of Derrick Simpson, the Town Centre Manager, they worked in teams to decide how they could redevelop the 400 year old Market Square. Library staff guided pupils through a wealth of printed and electronic sources to uncover the history of the town and the people who once

lived in it. They then went on to compile their own design solution and used a spreadsheet model to analyse costs and viability. Finally, they visualised their ideas with the use of 3D-modelling software.

Success solutions incorporated the key findings from their research, highlighting Northampton's history and culture, whilst keeping within the limits of the budget. Students aim to collate their ideas and present them to Derrick Simpson and his team, with the hope of giving the Town Centre Management a young and fresh input into this topical issue.