



GREENPEACE



Stoics Tackle the Climate Crisis

On Friday 15 October, Stowe will be hosting the inaugural National Schools' Assembly on the climate crisis. Our pupils have been involved in planning and preparing for Stowe's 'Schools' Climate Action' event since the beginning of the Summer break and have invited schools from all over the country to spend a day at Stowe, to learn about climate change, the action that we can take, and how schools ultimately can become carbon net-zero.

Getting to carbon net-zero is a huge challenge and the event aims to provide schools with a 'tool kit' to get one step closer to achieving this target. This Stoic-led movement has been started by young people who are passionate about the health of the environment. The future of our world is in the hands of the young and helping schools adapt is the beginning of a greener, more sustainable planet.

We have a packed timetable planned for the pupils and we invite our Parents to join us for a key part of the event.

At 4.30pm, pupils and Parents will be able to hear **Michaela Strachan** interviewed by our Head, Anthony Wallersteiner. Michaela has had a long and distinguished career in nature television, presenting The Really Wild Show, BBC's Springwatch, Autumnwatch, Country File and Orangutan Diary, as well as programmes for the Eden Channel.

At 5.30pm the conference part of the day will close with keynote addresses by **John Sauven** (Executive Director of Greenpeace UK).

John Sauven, Executive Director of Greenpeace UK, is a high-profile campaigner and was instrumental in getting protection for the Great Bear Temperate Rainforest on the west coast of Canada. He co-ordinated the international effort to secure a moratorium on further destruction of the Amazon by soya producers, one of Greenpeace's most successful campaigns, aimed at protecting the world's rainforests.

After the panel discussion, the 2021 Climate Change Concert will take place on the North Front, with musicians from the Stowe community playing live to our audience of pupils, Parents and guests.

Following the concert, Parents will be served a **Dinner in the Music Room**, which will have been created by zero-waste chef, **Max La Manna**. Max will demonstrate just how the meal was prepared without creating any food waste. Max is a low food waste chef who is an advocate for sustainability and reducing food waste. His recipes have no food waste and use minimal plastics.

We are delighted, that to end the evening, we will be joined by explorer **Justin Packshaw** our after dinner speaker. Justin's next expedition will involve skiing 2,000 miles across the 'White Continent' from coast to coast through the Pole of Inaccessibility and the Geographic South Pole, with no mechanical assistance and relying solely on manpower and kites. During the course of his voyage, Justin will be conducting research for NASA, the European Space Agency and Stanford University. We are thrilled that Justin will be joining us just one week before his expedition departs.

Parents are able to book tickets [here](#).



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#backingnoah



Walk for Noah



At precisely 2:40pm on 7 March, Noah Cosby (Upper Sixth, Temple) had an accident on his motorbike, breaking his back and in the process had become paralysed from the chest down.

Six hours of emergency spinal surgery from the team at the John Radcliffe hospital in Oxford saw two titanium rods and nine screws straighten and steady Noah's T6 and T7 vertebrae; an internal scaffold tower securing his breaks.

Noah has resumed his Sixth Form studies at Stowe. His incredibly positive mind-set tells him that he will walk again, but to give him every possible chance, he needs full-time physiotherapy, not just the three hours a week which is currently available at Stoke Mandeville Hospital. He needs hydrotherapy, robotic stimulation and options and therapies that are only available through the private sector and come with a hefty price tag.

To fundraise for Noah, the School set a target to cover 9545.67km on Sunday 12 September; the distance from the Olympic and Paralympic Stadium in Tokyo, back to Stowe.

The whole School walked the 10km from the North Front, over farmland up to the Silverstone racetrack, and back. Some people ran the distance, with a few completing multiple laps! Thankfully the rain held off and after about two hours of walking, Mr Wellington was on hand back at Stowe to provide Mars Bars for recovery!

Noah's family walked alongside other parents and family members, and Noah was at Stowe on the walkers' return.

We are pleased to say that the initial target of £10,000 was raised before the walk had even taken place, so we doubled the target, and the total raised to date stands at £21,387, an incredible outcome.

Last term's Silent Disco raised an additional £8,000 so we really hope some important rehabilitation equipment can help Noah get back on his feet soon. We would like to extend a massive thank you to those who have supported Noah; it shows how closely knit the Stowe Community is, and how fantastically well we all pull together in times of crisis. Thank you! You can [donate here](#).

Brian Hart, Temple Houseparent



The International Society Celebrates Mid-Autumn Festival

On Tuesday 21 September, the International Society celebrated **Mid-Autumn Festival at Stowe**. **The Mid-Autumn Festival**, also known as **Moon Festival** or **Mooncake Festival**, is a traditional festival celebrated by many East and Southeast Asian people.

The festival celebrates three fundamental concepts; gathering with friends and family, thanksgiving, and praying. Many of our East Asian pupils would ordinarily celebrate this festival with their families at home, with the lighting of lanterns and enjoyment of a large gathering with a bountiful meal.

In order to ensure our pupils were able to share this element of their culture with the wider community, the Food Services Department laid on a wonderful Chinese supper for the whole School that evening. Alongside this, a table was reserved especially for those in the School community who wished to celebrate more formally. These pupils enjoyed the opportunity to spend time with one another, and thoroughly enjoyed the delicacy of Mooncakes, which are traditionally eaten on this day.

Ms Xiong, a member of the Skills Department, also shared a thought-provoking speech which brought the evening to a close.

The International Society would like to take this opportunity to thank both the Food Services Department and Ms Xiong, for their efforts in supporting this celebration. The Society hopes to continue to encourage the celebration of a variety of cultural events, and looks forward to hosting a Thanksgiving dinner next half term.

Fran Shah, Head of International Pupils

The Stoic Charter 2021-22

Each academic year, the Head Girl and Head Boy, in consultation with the Prefects, agree a Charter for the School, here is this year's Stoic Charter:

S

Support

Our rights are:

- To receive appropriate levels of pastoral, academic and coaching support.
- To receive emotional, spiritual and medical support.
- To enjoy a well-balanced life at Stowe enabling us to fulfil our potential both inside and outside the classroom.

Our responsibilities are:

- Stoics are expected to treat each other and Staff with respect and kindness as well as support each other in their day-to-day lives.

T

Teaching

Our rights are:

- To be taught by teachers who are knowledgeable, well-prepared, punctual, dressed in business attire, enthusiastic and empathetic.
- To learn in an environment which respects us as individuals.
- To have a sufficient timeframe in which to complete work and the right to receive timely and constructive feedback for all completed work.

- To be recognised for our efforts and to be rewarded for good work.

Our responsibilities are:

- Stoics are expected to respect any member of staff both inside and outside the classroom.
- Stoics are expected to be punctual, dressed according to School uniform regulations and show willingness to participate.
- Stoics are expected to behave in a professional manner and embrace all the learning opportunities afforded to them.
- Stoics are expected to complete all their work on time and to the best of their ability.

O

Opportunities

Our rights are:

- To be granted equality of opportunity, even though equality of outcome is not guaranteed.
- To be given the opportunity to have our views heard on whole School issues by a Senior member of the School's Leadership Team.

Our responsibilities are:

- Stoics should voice their opinions through the various councils and give feedback without fear of recrimination or repercussion.
- Stoics should aim to improve themselves through initiatives such as The Stoic Award and by modelling the culture of continuous improvement so that they change themselves, change others and together change the world.

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Inclusion

Our rights are:

- That there should be no barriers to participation in any aspect of School life.
- That no one should be discriminated against on grounds of gender, race, age, sexuality, religious beliefs, or aptitude and those with these characteristics should be afforded the same respect as any other member of our Community.
- Breaches of the School's commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion policies should be thoroughly investigated and acted on.
- Freedom of speech should be upheld.

Our responsibilities are:

- Stoics should support and respect the School's commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion and uphold freedom of speech.
- Stoics have a responsibility to inform a member of Staff when matters of health and safety arise that require further intervention.

C

Community

Our rights are:

- To live and work in an environment which supports our physical and mental welfare, allowing Stoics to flourish, free from discouragement or unfriendly behaviour.

Our responsibilities are:

- Stoics have a responsibility to respect and improve this unique environment and make a conscious effort to reduce waste and minimise our carbon footprint.
- Stoics should strive to uphold the Change Maker ethos and to make a lasting and positive impact on their School and society.



Art

Upper Sixth Artists kicked off their new academic year and personal art projects with a visit to the Tate Modern. The modern art in the permanent collection never ceases to energise pupils, seeking out visual interpretations of their ideas: Skye Leather's (West) investigation of the human figure was brought to life via the exhibition 'The Making of Rodin', via his famous sculptures such as The Thinker or his tactile maquettes. Noah Cosby (Temple) found equal power through Rodin's contorted figures emerging out of plaster blocks. Other highlights included Joseph Beuys' The End of the Twentieth Century 1983-5 on display in one of the galleries Tanks Rooms. This vast, cavernous space and atmospheric lighting brought new life and power to the work, befitting of its theme concerning death and regeneration. Vital references and inspiration were found by all.

Chris Grimble, Art Department



Watson Art School Programme Michaelmas 2021

Here is the Gallery programme and related events for this term and beyond. As ever, these exhibitions are open to all Staff, pupils and guests and we hope you will enjoy the fantastic work presented by both Stoics and professional artists alike.

Friday 1 October, 7pm

Toby Michael (Temple 15): Contemporary Portraits

Sky Arts, Portrait of the Year Finalist, Visual Artists Association Emerging Artist Award Winner and Old Stoic Toby Michael presents a selection of recent portraits with a contemporary twist.

Wednesday 3 November, 7pm

Chris Atkinson (Chatham 59): Found Forms

Former Head Boy and long-serving Master at Stowe, Chris Atkinson presents a series of playful figurative sculptures, made from found objects and garden tools. Curated for the Prep School Art Festival.

Wednesday 10 November

Prep School Art Festival

Prep schools from around the country participating in a series of action-packed workshops exploring environmentalism and recycling.

Wednesday 24 November, 7pm

Scholars' Christmas Exhibition

A seasonal celebration of our Scholars, Exhibitioners and Curwen Prize Winners.

And next term, January 2022

- Ewing Paddock

A selection of Ewing's large paintings exploring a diverse range of characters from the London Underground.

Daniel Scott, Head of Art



Keble College Theology Essay Competition Win

Ben Li (Upper Sixth, Cobham) has won the First Prize in the 2021 Keble College Essay Competition in Theology and Religion.

Keble College, one of the colleges of the University of Oxford, ran an essay competition to encourage more interest in Theology and Religion in schools, and to offer an opportunity for students to consider in more depth questions of contemporary and historical significance.

Essays of up to 1,500 words, had to be carefully researched, well-structured and well-presented, but which also reflected critical awareness and an ability to reason through an argument.

Congratulations to Ben for this fantastic achievement.

Richard Corthine, Cobham Houseparent

Presidents of Language Society Announced

Wednesday 15 September was an important date in the Languages Society (Lang. Soc.) calendar, as its 20 members voted for the new President and Vice President 2021-22.

What I hadn't considered was the possibility of a tie, which is what happened in the second round. After a brief moment's hesitation reminiscent of 'Sophie's Choice', where one Stoic would have to be chosen over another equally deserving Stoic, I decided to appoint two Presidents.

Varvara Romyantseva (Upper Sixth, West) will lead the Society in the



Michaelmas term and Thomas Gibson (Upper Sixth, Cobham) will be our President in the Lent Term.

I was delighted to see such a strong turnout and am looking forward to many exciting talks and events this year.

Alice Tearle, Master in Charge of Language Society



Rowing

The Stowe rowers have made an enthusiastic start to the new academic year. The emphasis has been on land training, on rowing ergometers, with the Stowe 50,000 metre Challenge. The current leader is new starter Rafe Gordon (Lower Sixth, Winton) with 11,581m, followed by Charlie Cole (Lower Sixth, Walpole) on 11,320m. Sienna Bettany (Lower Sixth, Stanhope) leads the girls on 6,077m, followed by Honor Macdonald (Lower Sixth, Stanhope) on 6,018m.

During the Summer holiday we inspected eight lakes and rivers, for off-site rowing at Stowe. We now have permission in place for rowing on the 1,000m lake at Great Moor, near Buckingham, and the 1,500m lake at Hollowell in Northamptonshire, where we can take Sixth Formers on Thursdays. In the first week we put out a Lower Sixth eight, and in the second week the boys sculled in two quads, and the girls in singles and doubles.

Encouragingly, we have a squad of ten Sixth Form boys for the Ist VIII. This compares very favourably with the 1st VIII which represented Stowe at Henley Royal Regatta in 2018, drawn

from four-year groups. We could now probably also boat a Lower School eight, and the aim is for both a Colts and Junior Colts eight from the Lower School. We would like to see the girls emulating this, because in club rowing, girls outnumber boys. With this year's introduction of the new event for girls, the eights, Henley (like the Olympics) now offers equal events for girls and boys.

With many in the Lower School wanting to row, we need to return to the 11 Acre Lake, which is now thankfully clear of blue green algae. Unfortunately, the National Trust have partially drained the lake to restore the historic cascade so, until this work is finished, rowing here isn't possible.

A Stowe team of Sixth Form boys and girls have been entered for the Worcester Head of the River Race on Saturday 2 October. After Half Term, we are also hoping to race at Henley Sculls on Saturday 6 November. We will then aim for the Schools' Head in March and ultimately the Summer Regattas with the eights.

Andrew Rudkin, Rowing Coach

Equestrian

Introducing Stowe's Third Form Equestrian Scholar

Izzy Russell (Third Form, Cheshire), qualified for the 110cm County Championships earlier this year at Bury Farm Equestrian Centre. Winning second place here enabled her to attend Hickstead at the NSEA National Finals, with the first and second place rider, from each county qualifier in the UK, being invited to attend.

Izzy and her pony won the Final, with a superb round, gaining her the title of NSEA County Champion 2021; a title she will hold for the next 12 months.

Good luck to Izzy for her forthcoming competitions and we look forward to following her progress as Stowe's Third Form Equestrian Scholar.



Hockey

Saturday 4 September was a busy afternoon for the Stowe Hockey Club, with training matches against a variety of opposition including Denstone College, Saints Hockey Club, Towcester Hockey Club and Kimbolton School. These matches, and all the hard work during pre-season training, put the Stowe teams in a good place to start the season.

The girls' Hockey Club got off to a wonderful start in their first afternoon of the season on Saturday 13 September, as they played a block against Stamford School, with Stowe winning nine out of the eleven matches. The first team played with impressive cohesion and team spirit to win 3-1 with goals from Rosie Grayson (Upper Sixth, Nugent), Kiara Grobler (Lower Sixth, West) and Bella Lloyd (Upper Sixth, Nugent). The U15A team had another comfortable win to make it eight victories out of eight, if the pre-season matches are included.

It was another hugely positive day for the Stowe Hockey Club as a whole on Saturday 20 September. 12 teams played against Bromsgrove, and Stowe won or drew all of the matches. The 1st XI won 3-0 away from home with Kiara Grobler scoring twice. A cumulative goal total of 39 to Stowe with Bromsgrove managing just six really is a remarkable set of results against a school with a formidable reputation.

Ben Scott, Head of Hockey

For weekly reports on all Stowe Sports visit our website
www.stowesport.co.uk



Squash

There were some good games against Bromsgrove at home on Saturday 18 September, with wins for Robin Vane-Tempest Stewart (Upper Sixth, Chatham), Luke Holland-Bosworth (Upper Sixth, Chatham), Archie Blake (Upper Sixth, Grenville), Eitan O'Grady (Fourth Form, Temple) and Adam Sarraff (Lower Sixth, Chatham).

Alastair Saunders (Lower Sixth, Grafton) and Beltran Olano Moro (Lower Sixth, Grafton) gave a good account of themselves in their first match. Stowe won 6-2 overall, and it seems clear that our new squash coach Mrs Maliff, is having a positive and significant impact!



Inter-House Football

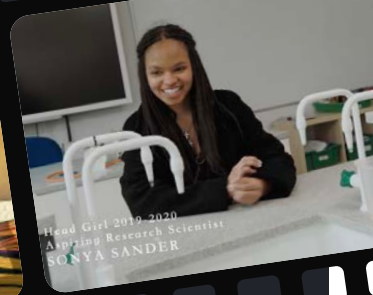
The traditional first Inter-House Competition proved to be another fantastic afternoon and the tournament continues to grow in size, with 165 separate matches being played in the glorious sunshine. Thanks go to the 31 Staff who helped referee and the many Houseparents, Parents and Staff who also supported the event and helped to create a wonderful atmosphere on the Bourbon. We would especially like to say a massive thank

you from the whole School to Mr Sutton for organising what was a truly amazing event.

The winners of girls' tournaments were as follows: Third Form - Nugent, Fourth Form - Queen's, Fifth Form - Queen's, Lower Sixth - Nugent, Upper Sixth - Queen's.

And the winners for the boys' Houses were: Third Form - Cobham, Fourth Form - Winton, Fifth Form - Winton, Lower Sixth - Bruce, Upper Sixth - Chatham.





A Hand to Hold



A Hand to Hold has been released to celebrate a landmark first twelve months for the Change 100 mission. At the start of this new academic year we have welcomed ten talented and deserving children to Stowe with fully-funded places, thanks to the incredible generosity of Old Stoics, Parents and friends of the School. This is double the target we set for 2021/2022. Indeed, as of 1 September 2021, over **£10 million has now been raised in pledges and donations!** As a result, funding is now secured not just for the ten children who have started this term, but scores of future children who will benefit from these endowed funds.

Please do take three minutes to watch the new film (and like our Facebook page for further updates). Alternatively, if you don't have Facebook, you can access the **film here**. More about Change 100 can be found on our **website**.

If you have any questions about Change 100 or would like to know how you can help, please contact us in the **Development Office**, or phone us on 01280 818326.



OLD STOICS



Ben Duckett

Ben Duckett (Grafton 13) has signed for Brisbane Heat for the upcoming Big Bash League season. Ben says, "I'm looking forward to getting out to Brisbane and hopefully helping the team have a great season." Good luck to Ben.



Will Perry

Congratulations to Will Perry (Cobham 19) who made his first Paralympic appearance in the Men's 200m Individual Medley SM6 heats, the Men's 100m Breaststroke SB6 heats and the 100m Freestyle of the Paralympic Games in Tokyo.

Will, who swims for the Northampton Swimming Club, gained his first international experience during the 2021 European Championships in Madeira.



Dylan

Following the success of her first 2021 single, 'Nineteen', which hit 1 million streams within two weeks, and reached number 47 in the singles chart, Dylan (aka Natasha Woods (Queen's 18) has a new single 'Someone Else' coming out. You can listen to the single by clicking below.

[Website](#) | [Apple Music](#) | [Spotify](#)



Marcos Capella

In March 2022, Marcos Capella (Cobham 11) will be taking on the ultimate challenge of the Marathon Des Sables, to raise money for the Hope for Children charity.

"So, it is happening! In March 2022 you'll find me running, rolling and desperately scrambling my way round the golden sands of the Sahara Desert. An approximate distance of 254km carrying all essentials including, food, water and sleeping gear. It's no surprise this event has been globally recognised as one of 'the world's toughest foot races'. Snakes, spiders, sandstorms, and extreme temperatures are just some of the obstacles we will have to compete against. I have decided to take on this challenge in order to raise money for a charity I truly believe in. Hope for Children is an international charity with a simple mission. To create brighter futures for the next generation. A world in which every child has a happy, healthy and positive childhood is something we passionately believe they deserve. However, with almost half the world's children living in extreme poverty, this is a vision that is still not yet a reality. We are helping to change this by delivering education, health, livelihoods and Child Rights projects that benefit thousands. I'm taking on this challenge in the hope that together we can make a real difference. Create a tangible change. Encourage a brighter future. Any donations will be greatly received. Keep up to date with my social media accounts for other fundraising events and training updates." Instagram [@dogboxfitness](#)

To support Marcos and the charity, head to the [JustGiving page](#).



James Rudkin

Congratulations go to Old Stoic James Rudkin (Walpole 12), who, as part of the Great Britain's Men's Eight (M8+) team, won a Bronze Medal at the Tokyo Olympics.

Polo

Copenhagen Cup

On 11-12 September, Stowe took part in the Copenhagen Cup; an invitational tournament held at Guards Polo Club Windsor.

With a brand new team line up: Captain Rafi Mahmood (Upper Sixth, Walpole), Noor Abukhadra (Lower Sixth, Temple), Luca Natella (Fourth Form, Cobham) and Archie Hesteltine (Fourth Form, Cobham) took on Rugby School's very strong team. They ran through the opposition with all members of the team scoring goal after goal, to win 11-2.

Rafi Mahmood was so committed to scoring a goal that he collided with the goal post, sending it flying in the opening two minutes of play! The team, who had never played together before, bonded immediately and played a tough well-balanced game.

On Sunday morning, Stowe faced the unbeaten Wellington College side for the Final. With the opposition team including a 4 goal professional polo player, the team were ready to battle. The speed of

the match was unprecedented in schools polo, and the Stowe team were courageous and cool-headed.

The result was a narrow defeat, 9 to 6,5 goals. Everyone in Guards praised the amazing performance of the Stowe team. Noor Abukhadra's polo pony was awarded Best Playing Pony, and Rafi Mahmood won the Outstanding Sportsmanship prize, which was awarded for his courage and his ability not to give up despite a couple of falls!

Advice and support on the sidelines was given by Old Stoic Polo Captain, Jamie Grayson (Grafton 15).

A fantastic performance by all, and special thanks to Noor who has just joined Stowe, and went on to play the High Goals Final in the afternoon, winning the Autumn Nations Cup.

Coming second in this prestigious event has put Stowe Polo top of the best schools in the country, and certainly we had Wellington College worried for future matches.

Fiona Corthine, Head of Polo





RUGBY



Several teams had training games on Saturday 4 September against Warwick and Abingdon Schools. The return to full contact matches after such a long break proved to be a valuable experience.

The 1st XV played Stamford in the opening match of the season on the North Front on Saturday 11 September. The large crowd, containing many Old Stoics who had come back for their reunion day, created a fantastic atmosphere and watched Captain Jack Simpson (Upper Sixth, Chandos) lead his team to a strong and very encouraging display as Stowe went on to win 18-5. Eight of the other eleven matches ended with a difference in score of under 10 points which shows how well matched the two schools were.

Congratulations to the 1st XV for their significant win 20-5 away at Bromsgrove on Saturday 18 September. This really does send out a message to all schools that Stowe rugby is back in the top division of the schools' circuit. Archie McParland (Lower Sixth, Temple) deserves a special mention for scoring a wonder try. Well done also to the Fourth Form A, B and C sides who all won away from home.

On Wednesday 15 September, the Yearlings and Junior Colts sides both beat the Royal Latin School, running in several tries against our local grammar school in Buckingham.

Grant Seely, Director of Rugby

The Schools' Games

Three of our leading sportswomen competed in the National Schools' Games Finals held at Loughborough University, competing against top athletes from Scotland, Wales, England and Ireland, over the weekend of 2-5 September.

Larissa Campbell (Lower Sixth, Nugent) qualified to complete in the games, in the Triathlon, having finished in the top two of the South-Central Region race in Hetton (near Durham) on Saturday 17 July. Representing the South-Central Triathlon Academy, Larissa was one of four athletes (boys and girls) to represent the region, and who as well as all competing individually, competed together in a mixed team relay on the final day.

Izzy Kaye (Fifth Form, Cheshire) and Phoebe Haynes (Fifth Form, Cheshire) both played netball for Wasps Academy, winning a bronze medal.

The standard of competition was extremely high and the whole experience of the games (including an opening Ceremony, and accommodation in athletes' village) proved to be a memorable experience.



SPORT IN BRIEF

Equestrian

Well done to Connie Adams (Upper Sixth, Cheshire) who competed at the Hickstead main arena in the 140cm '7 year old star of the future' Finals.

During the Summer break, Cecily Holland (Fifth Form, Nugent), was part of the team (out of 32 teams entered) who won the Senior Hunt Team Relay at Peterborough. Cecily and horse Malty were part of the team who won the PC 110cm at Bury, and qualified for The National PC Champs at Hickstead. On her other horse Charlie, Cecily came 2nd in the main ring.

Cecily also successfully evented all summer, qualifying for The Cotswold Cup Championships at Gatcombe Park and qualifying both horses for the PC SJ Champs, Eventing Champs and the School NSE 100cm.

Netball

Well done to our new Head of Netball, Miss Compton and the U15 team who showed no mercy in their opening cup match, winning 86-13 against Lutterworth High School on the evening of Friday 17 September.

We welcome Miss Compton to Stowe, and look forward to the girls benefitting from her experience, skills and knowledge from her Sports Science degree, and playing experience; from being selected for Mavericks National Premier League at age 13, to currently playing for TFC (a Premier League team based in Leicester).



Cricket

Autumn cricket is becoming more common, and the lovely weather on Sunday 12 September made a trip to Uppingham for the 1st XI a worthwhile venture. Stowe's cricket is extremely strong, and the newly formed side continued the momentum built last season, by putting on another impressive display, beating Uppingham by seven wickets. Well done to Harvey Julian (Lower Sixth, Winton), who led the bowling attack with four wickets; Aadi Sharma (Fifth Form, Winton) who scored 85 not out, and Ali Short (Upper Sixth, Winton) who got a half century.

In the second and final Autumn cricket match on Sunday 19 September, two Stowe sides travelled the long journey down to Haileybury. The 1st XI had a very close game, but just came short in the end. Ali Short scored an impressive 71.



SILK TROPHY

We are pleased to report that Stowe beat Shrewsbury on Wednesday 7 July to win the Silk Trophy.

A great tournament, with three teams going into the last day all still with the chance to win. Eton ended up losing to Northants U18s which meant it was a straight shoot-out between Stowe and Shrewsbury.

Shrewsbury only reached 175 for 7 in their 50 overs, with James Cronie (Cobham 21) and Rhys Noble (Chandos 21) the best bowlers, with two

wickets each. In reply, Stowe reached 138 for 5 when the rain came. Stowe were two runs ahead on the Duckworth Lewis Stern (DLS) calculations and we had a print out for each ball, of where we needed to be in terms of the run rate. Ali Short (Upper Sixth, Winton) played a courageous innings of 28 not out, to make sure were ahead of the DLS required score, as the two batsmen in the middle spotted the dark clouds approaching over the pavilion.

2021 was a very successful season for Stowe, winning two trophies and a Quarter-Final in the National T20 competition.

ECB Bunbury Festival at Loughborough

Aadi Sharma (Fifth Form, Winton) performed very well at the ECB Bunbury Festival at Loughborough earlier this month. He scored the highest amount of runs for the South & West, with scores of 40*, 64, 11, 19 & 41*, giving him a total of 175 runs at an average of 58.3. Well played Aadi.

Aadi is pictured here with the founder of the Bunbury Festival, David English.

James Knott, Head of Cricket

Badminton

In the match against Bromsgrove on Saturday 18 September, 1st pair Joshua Mital (Lower Sixth, Winton) and Gilbert Xu (Fourth Form, Chandos), 2nd pair Michael Spencer (Lower Sixth, Temple) and George Owen-Thursfield (Lower Sixth, Temple) and 3rd pair Alexander Gu (Lower Sixth, Walpole) and Arin Chatsuvan (Fifth Form, Grenville) all had wins, although the overall result went to the opposition.

Senior Inter-House Competition Results Sunday 19 September

Girls' Doubles Final - Queen's beat Nugent 3-0. Girls' Singles Semi-Finals: Yuki Jiang (Lower Sixth, West) beat Ruby Colebrook (Fifth Form, Queen's) 21-11. Wanxin Bai (Lower Sixth, West) beat Lucy Walduck (Upper Sixth, Queen's) 21-20. Girls' Final: Yuki Jiang beat Wanxin Bai 21-10.

Boys' Double Final - Temple beat Winton 2-1. Boys' Singles Semi-Finals: Joshua Mital beat George Owen-Thursfield 21-17. Michael



Spencer beat Arin Chatsuvan 21-20. Boys' Final: Joshua Mital beat Michael Spencer 21-17.

Isaac Michael, Head of Badminton



Triathlon

Charlotte Hall (Third Form, Cheshire) competed in the British Triathlon Grand Final on Saturday 11 September.

Finishing tenth in her heat in the morning, Charlotte qualified for the TS3, A-final.

Improving her heat time by 19 seconds in the final, she finished 16th in the country.



Lacrosse

Pre-Season v Old Stoics

An experienced Old Stoic lacrosse team comprising girls from Nugent, Stanhope, Lyttelton and Queen's came to Stowe on Saturday 4 September to remind us of their talents on the lacrosse field. The Old Stoics contained no fewer than three current and recent Internationals alongside three girls from the cohort that left us this Summer.

Goals from Philly Stacey (Nugent 17), Zara Vickers (2) (Stanhope 20), Frankie Macleod Matthews (2) (Nugent 21) and Zara Nichols (Lyttelton 11) in the first half put us under pressure. However, a very young Stowe X coped well and it was two of our Fourth Form girls - Emelia Brett (Queen's) (with an assist from Maddy Baker (Queen's)) who scored first for Stowe. Our defence played well, double teaming within the 11m fan and not conceding any major fouls in the first half.

Savannah King (Upper Sixth, Stanhope) and Rosie Grayson (Upper Sixth, Nugent) (our recently appointed Captains) worked tirelessly in midfield, but the options to score were limited by an experienced defence led by Amber Capurro (Nugent 20) and Jose Brake (Lyttelton 11). The half time score was 6-1 and although disappointed not to have scored more the 1st X did well to limit their shots.

The 2nd half was pretty similar with goals scored by Zara Vickers, Philly (2), Frankie (2) and Claudia Button (Nugent 12). In reply, Rosie scored a well taken shot with an assist from Tallulah Morris (Lower Sixth, Queen's). Olanma Kalu (Upper Sixth, West) making her debut in goal for Stowe came up with six excellent saves and the defensive unit caused six turnovers at crucial periods in the game.

Berkhamsted Tournament

The 1st team had an excellent day at the Berkhamsted Tournament on Sunday 12 September, with no fewer than eight girls making their debut for Stowe 1st team. The experienced three low defenders - Hannah Bewes (Lower Sixth, Queen's) Willa Percy (Lower Sixth, Queen's) and Jemima Roberts (Lower Sixth, Lyttelton) were outstanding with aggressive defending when the opposition came into the 11m fan and pulling off interception after interception with excellent timing. Emelia Brett dominated the centre, winning numerous draws, working hard in both defence and attack and scored 3 goals from 5 shots taken. As a Fourth Former we are excited about the maturity and awareness of this talented player.

In attack, Rosie Grayson showed off the skills learnt over the Summer and was aggressive when going to goal, she scored 6 goals and was our top scorer, but her ability to make strong attacking cuts in midfield and carry the ball into our offensive half helped us to create many more options.

Maddy Baker (Fourth Form, Queen's) and Violet Arkwright (Upper Sixth, Queen's) both contributed with impressive shots with the latter scoring both shots taken and finishing with 100% shot percentage.

Everyone played their part - they all worked hard, playing a variety of positions and it was a real positive team effort. However, the MVP of the tournament for Stowe went to Kimi Chen (Upper Sixth, Lyttelton) with 27 saves - eight in one game - every one of them was against point blank shots taken from just outside the crease!



On Saturday 18 September, the 2nd X went to away for a triangular with Westonbirt & Marlborough, losing to Westonbirt 5-2 and winning against Marlborough 7-3. Maddie Baker and Jodie Brogden (Upper Sixth, Queen's) led the team in goals, and Milly Davis (Fourth Form, Lyttelton) put in a great defensive display.

In the Senior boys' Inter-House tournament, after some very close games, Chandos were the eventual champions with two wins and a draw.

Jayne Duckett, Lacrosse 1st Team Coach

Equestrian

England Show Jumping Success

British Show Jumping selected Isabelle Harris (Third Form, Nugent) as part of a 5-rider team to represent England at the Welsh Home Pony, held at the David Broome Wales and West Equestrian centre, 23 to 27 July. Isabelle competed in the 138 (pony size) section, with 5 rider teams competing for each England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

The 138 England team secured Gold, with Isabelle and her four team mates, all riding two amazing rounds each, to beat Scotland (Silver) and Wales (Bronze).

The following day Isabelle also jumped the Grand Prix, making it through to the 1.30 metre jump-off and gaining a ticket to compete at the Horse of the year show (HOYS) in October at the NEC.



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Stowe CCF Lockdown Challenge Competition Winners Paint Ball Trip



On Sunday 19 September, a group of Fifth Form and Upper Sixth Cadets went to Delta Force to partake in some very intense paintballing games! The day consisted of different games, with different aims for each. Our team found tactics, planning the best route to take and backing each other up so we could reach our targets, were the key to success. This led us to victories in five of the six games and a draw in one; even though the other team consisted of mainly adult Romanians who seemed to have upgraded guns! They weren't as tactical or good at conserving their ammo as us and we managed to destroy them. The team suffered some minor bruises, mostly from the 'free for all' at the end, which was fun, fast, frenetic and brutal for everyone involved! We finished the day with some much needed Domino's pizza, which hit just the right spot after a day of running around.

I would like to thank Lt Col de Gale and CSM Abbey for setting up the trip, as it was a thoroughly enjoyable way to spend a Sunday.

Alice Bryant (Fifth Form, Queen's)

RN SECTION

Summer Camp 2021 - Visit to the Historic Dockyard, Portsmouth, Sailing and Dragon Boat Racing at Great Moor Lake

Royal Navy CCF Section travelled to Portsmouth to visit the Historic Dockyard, where there are a number of warships that the Cadets could visit, including HMS Victory (Lord Nelson's flag ship) and HMS Warrior (the first Ironclad British warship of its day). The hull of HMS Warrior was located in Pembroke Dock and was used as a platform for local fisherman. It was finally towed to Hartlepool where the restoration took place and then brought back to Portsmouth as part of the Museum. The Cadets also had the opportunity to visit the Mary Rose, Henry VIII's flagship which sank off the coast of Portsmouth during the Battle of the Solent in 1545. It was located during the early part of the 1970s and after some major diving and engineering feats, it was raised from the seabed in 1982. Over the years it has seen many renovations and is now housed in its own Museum within the Dockyard, and is well worth a visit.

In addition, there is the M33 which was a mine sweeper during the Battle of Gallipoli and is now located in a dry dock for all to visit and see.

Our final visit took us around the seafront of Southsea, it was a beautiful sunny day, and the Cadets could see and feel the sea before leaving Portsmouth for the journey home; but not without a more important stop at McDonald's.

From Tuesday 29 June to Thursday 1 July, we visited Great Moor Lake, where we enhanced our sailing skills, under the under the School's sailing instructor Mr Symes. We recently acquired two Argo sailing vessels each taking up to four Cadets. The Cadets were introduced to Dragon boat handling. These boats take up to 20 people and all are required to paddle in unison in order to gather speed and control, NOT SO EASY!

The section completed their water training with emergency capsizing drills. Allowing the Cadets to purposely capsize the Yachts in a controlled environment and practice recovering the boats, crew and making themselves afloat, made for a very exciting end to a week of RN history and water activities.

Lt Nick Zammit



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ARMY SECTION SUMMER CAMP

DAY 1 Live Firing, Longmoor Camp,
Monday 28 June 2021



It was an early start for us all, but the excitement and anticipation of what was to happen that day made the majority of our tiredness go away. We set off from Stowe at 06:45 in two coaches, beginning the two-hour journey to Longmoor Training Camp. It was a rather intimidating approach to this 4,410-acre set up.

Upon arrival we were put into two groups, one going to the rifle range first and the other to the shotgun range. Starting at the shotgun range, my group was shown how to use a shotgun and taught how to apply an emergency bandage (designed to control bleeding fast whilst in the field) and the basic steps of first aid.

For many of us there, it was our first time using a shotgun whilst aiming at clays. It was exhilarating to be trusted with such a thing as a shotgun and we all leapt at the opportunity to try something new. The greatest number of clays someone hit in my group was eight out of ten, which is a great result considering the pressure they were under, when they boldly raised their hand to go first.

This part of our day also included us playing Kim's game: a memory game. In silence, we all had to remember as many of the objects as possible, before they were then hidden under a sheet, and we had to list all the objects off and describe them in detail.

I'm sure many people would agree that the best part of the day was the rifle range. For us all, it was our first time shooting live rounds. Firstly, we revised our marksmanship principles, to improve our shot for the firing points. We were then taught how to control our breathing and our positioning in order to fire effectively. Finally, we made our much-awaited walk to the points where we would be shooting four groups of five rounds at targets 100m away. The advanced technology which Longmoor Training Camp had, showed clearly where our shots were going, so that we knew how to fix our aim if we were going off target. As we progressed into the activity, our targets were made more challenging to push ourselves. From both groups the top shooters, who got either 10/10 or 9/10, had a shoot-off which made some of our more competitive sides come out! I have to say, the sound the rifles made was a lot louder than I had anticipated!

It was a great day for all of us and we were very lucky that the weather held out for the majority of the time us being there. A big thank you to Lt Col de Gale for organising such a fantastic day out and to the NCOs, Harry and Alex and the rest of the CCF Staff.

Scarlett Wates (Fifth Form, Queen's)

DAY 2 Fieldcraft, Patrolling, Harbours, Night Ambushes, Euro 2020

Still feeling the effects from the previous day's activities, the Fourth Form Army section and CCF staff prepared themselves for Exercise Stowe Patrol 2, taking place on Tilehouse Estate lying adjacent to the School grounds. This was the first time the Cadets had an opportunity to 'camp' out overnight under temporary shelters, eating military ration packs and taking part in blank firing battle exercises.

There was a mix of excitement and nervousness as the Cadets were given a sleeping system of basha/bivvy sheet, sleeping bag, bivvy bag, roll mat, a 24-hour ration pack each, mess tins and cookers and finally, a Cadet general purpose rifle with webbing and blank ammunition.

After a period of instruction from the Staff on how best to pack the equipment into their bergans/rucksacks, the Cadets moved out into their patrol base for the next 36 hours with lots of comments on how heavy their bergans were!

The group were broken down into two training groups with a group being shown how to cook the ration pack, basic survival skills of living in the field, how to put up their temporary shelters, duties of a sentry and different methods of movement without being seen. The second group was introduced to basic patrolling skills including formations, crossing obstacles and hand signals as well as operating a military individual portable radio set.

After the, now customary, bag meal lunch, the groups changed over and the training continued to 4.30pm. Normally at this point, the cadets would return to the patrol base and start preparing their first ration pack meal, however after some intense pressure from the Cadets and Staff, the Contingent Commander Lt Col Jan de Gale, despite her Scottish heritage, stopped the exercise and allowed the Cadets to return to School to watch the England v Germany Euro 2020 match. Colour Sergeant Abbey, School Staff Instructor reassuring her that 'it is good for the morale ma'am'.

Two hours later and with morale extremely high, the exercise recommenced and we prepared for our first blank firing battle

exercise that evening. Preparations began with an introduction to ambush drills, rehearsal and briefing. The two training groups each led by our NCOs, Cadet CSM Harry Bryant (Upper Sixth, Cobham) and Cadet CSgt Alex Goodhart (Upper Sixth, Grafton) conducted an ambush each, late into the evening. The unsuspecting enemy force succumbed to a barrage of over 800 rounds of blank ammunition from both groups that evening, fortunately we had informed the neighboring residents of our exercise.

On completion of the ambush the Cadets returned to the Patrol Base, prepared a hot meal from their rations and then settled down to their first overnight sleep on exercise.

After a cold, and for some, sleepless night, the Cadets rose the next morning and began the normal routine of preparing their breakfast meal and drink, as well as taking down their shelters, clearing and returning the wooded area to its natural state, with no sign of them having been there.

The next day's activities saw them back into their two training groups with one group being taught some bushcraft skills by external provider, Campfire Wild Adventures, which included a casualty rescue exercise and improvised stretcher building. The second group took part in another Blank Firing Battle Exercise run by Major Richard Corthine and Captain Anthony Ashfield. This involved section level attacks on a two-man enemy position, approached via a stream, with the enemy looking very similar to our Lower Sixth NCOs. Again a large barrage of blank ammunition was expended during this exercise much to the enjoyment of the Cadets.

After preparing their final ration pack meal at mid-day the groups rotated again with the exercise finishing at 3.30pm. Once stores and equipment were returned, rifles cleaned and a final sweep of the training area carried out, the Cadets returned to the School, tired but having thoroughly enjoyed their first 'military' style exercise.

CSgt Geoff Abbey



DAY 3

Fieldcraft/Section Attacks/First Aid



The CCF Army Section spent the night camped out in a harbour position on the Stowe grounds. We were all particularly excited as this was the first time for many, under the stars CCF style!

After a briefing by the NCOs and Staff on how to begin setting up our bashas (which looked like just a piece of tarpaulin to me), each section began to build. The teachers were very supportive and helped us with any doubts we had; which were quite a few!

Major Corthine then delivered a lesson on how to successfully complete an ambush, running through where we needed to be and when, something which I was very inquisitive to learn. At first, I was nervous but after a few minutes, when the two sections began laying down fire, I had the best time of my life. The racket we caused was so great that whilst I was loving it, I am not sure the neighbours did!

Following a night with very little sleep (a couple of hours, we call that a 'good night' in the CCF), we were all very thankful not to be woken up at sunrise and we woke instead to the most amazing morning - the sun cascading into the harbour area. As I was by far and away the very first one up, I cooked up my rations and became the section's chef, and I had a great time as a result; the 6th section breakfast was awesome, enabling me to get to know everyone even more.

After breakfast, each section got taught a lesson in bushcraft and first aid in the wild, which was a thoroughly worthwhile experience.

Finally, with everyone absolutely 'hanging' ('knackered' to you and me), all the sections then ran through the theory behind a section attack, as well as conducting the attack itself - an awesome effort by all, blank firing and storming through enemy positions!

The exercise couldn't have happened without the amazing efforts of Col de Gale, Colours Abbey, and all the rest of the NCOs and staff - and therefore a huge thank you must go to them.

Daniel Flames Sampietro (Fourth Form, Cobham)

DAY 4

Laser Tag/GPS Orienteering/Ultimate Frisbee

Finishing off a brutal couple of days of live firing, ambushes, section attacks and everything in between, the CCF Army contingent gathered for a final day of Orienteering, Ultimate Frisbee, and by far and away the coolest activity of the day - Laser Tag! The Laser Tag was brilliant, Cadets scrambling through holly bushes and trees to attack their opposite section – some Cadets storming like the Terminator himself up the very middle of the firefight, and some taking a more subtle approach!

Whilst the Laser Tag was just great fun, Cadets also did a small bit of learning too – figuring out how to work and attack as a section, how to communicate on the chaos of a battlefield and also finally placing into practice their marksmanship principles which they had learned just a few days earlier at Longmoor camp when live firing. Top shots of the day without a doubt went to Alex Goodhart (Upper Sixth, Grafton) and Patrick Wilmot-Smith (Fifth Form, Winton) for some top-notch shooting.

Following on from the activities of the morning, the whole contingent including the RAF and Navy gathered for a final awards ceremony. During the ceremony, Cadets were awarded Leadership and skills prizes as well as Army Proficiency Certificates. Firstly; Leadership and Skills prizes. These prizes were awarded to a select few of the Cadets who had gone above and beyond during the course of the week, ranging from notable performances during the Orienteering, to Cadets who had shown leadership promise in leading their sections from within – all those who received an award were rightly deserved. On top of this, some Cadets also were awarded their Army Proficiency Certificates, and the accompanying red star patches, for those who had met the level required and completed this year's syllabus of the Cadet course. Finally, and most entertainingly, Cadets were awarded 'paper plate' awards. These awards recognised amusing moments or characteristics of the Cadets during the week. For example, the 'most likely to ambush themselves' or 'the most likely to swap a basha for a hotel' were some of the more



entertaining, and I was given 'the most likely to lead his troops into a tricky situation involving barbed wire!' The awards added a humorous and light touch to the very end of a week which had left many Cadets 'hanging' and absolutely shattered – the perfect way to end.

In all, the whole week was just awesome, giving Cadets a breather from academics and giving them a brilliant time. Also, even if the week left Cadets tired, they all hopefully learnt something along the way too. Simply nothing could have gone ahead without the stoic and just amazing efforts of Lt Col de Gale, Colours Abbey, and all the CCF Staff who gave up their time to make the week go ahead, and therefore a massive thank you must go to them from myself and all the rest of the Cadets.

Cadet CSM Harry Bryant (Upper Sixth, Cobham)

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Community Project Update

Throughout the last academic year, the Community Project team undertook a range of projects to support the local, national and international community.

One of these was a Seaside@Stowe fundraising event held by the Community Project team at School. The event saw all the family fun of the British beach being brought to Stowe - ice cream vans, Punch and Judy shows, and even the chance to throw a wet sponge at a Teacher!

Stoics kindly donated some of their pocket money to attend, leading to an incredible total of over £450 being raised!

All profits were donated to The Getaway Foundation. The Getaway Foundation (Charity Number 1187336) is a Buckinghamshire-based charity which raises funds and organises UK seaside holidays for families in absolute poverty in the local area.

The amount the Seaside@Stowe event raised, is enough to cover half of the cost of a family holiday, meaning we have gone a great way to allowing a family to enjoy a much-needed break away. Thank you to all that supported the fundraiser; either helping or attending.

The Community Project team had fantastic successes in its first year at Stowe, and we hope that this academic year will see the group continue to make outstanding contributions in supporting people in need. Any Stoics who are interested in joining the group are to sign up for it as their Co-Curricular activity via SOCS.

Fran Shah, service@stowe



PACK A SHOEBOX! SEND GOOD NEWS & GREAT JOY AROUND THE WORLD

Operation Christmas Child

"A simple gift packed with love and fuelled by prayer can have a huge impact!"

This year, the Service@Stowe Community Service Group are coming together to participate in the Operation Christmas Child event held by the Samaritan's Purse Foundation. Operation Christmas Child has a shoebox initiative which allows people from around the world to send a shoebox with gifts and supplies to children in need. With over 186 million children having received one, we would like to contribute to this wonderful cause. Last year we made 800 shoeboxes, and our aim this year is to reach 1000.

By sending a shoebox to a child, you are giving them hope and something to look forward to for Christmas. These Children live in very poor communities or come from troubling backgrounds and such a simple act of kindness can have such a significant effect on their lives.

Can include: Toys; school supplies (pens, pencils, crayons, notebooks); hygiene equipment (toothbrushes, flannels); hats, gloves; socks; jewellery; wind up torches.

Please do not include these things: Toothpaste, sweets, lotions, and liquids; used or damaged items; war-related items; seeds, gum, chocolate, or food items; religious or political literature; medicines, aerosol cans, sharp or fragile items.

For further information, please visit their [website](#) or contact Ms Shah, Miss Pearson, or Ms Westmoreland.

*Please keep in mind that the shoeboxes and their lids should be wrapped separately, so the box can be opened, and they must be brought to House ready to be collected by Monday 4 October.

The House with most shoeboxes collected gets to enjoy a Home Clothes Day!

**Sofia Tangsrud (Lower Sixth, Stanhope)
& Joseph Barnett (Fifth Form, Winton)**

Visiting the Elderly

Service@Stowe Visiting the Elderly participants are a handful of the 80,000 individuals enrolled in "The Many Faces of Dementia" online training course created by the UCL's Future Learn programme.

Through this free course students discover key issues in dementia care and research. They explore four less common forms of dementia, through the eyes of people affected by them.

The topics that are covered in the course are: the symptoms and science behind familial Alzheimer's disease, behavioural variant frontotemporal dementia, dementia with Lewy bodies and posterior cortical atrophy.

By the end of their training Visiting the Elderly Participants will be able to: Identify the range of symptoms that people experience as a result of less-common dementia diagnoses; Explain how diagnoses of dementia differ in terms of the parts of the brain affected and the causes of changes in the brain; Reflect upon the experience of people who are given a diagnosis of dementia; Explore the role of scientific research in furthering our ability to care for and treat people with dementia and apply this knowledge to develop a broader understanding of the symptoms and experiences of people with more common forms of dementia.

This course is essential to the pupils who will be visiting residents in Care Homes and Assisted Living Centres. Not only will the Stoics gain a better understanding of our brains and the science behind dementia, but also, further develop empathy and compassion.

If you would like to learn more about the "Many Face of Dementia" course please [click here](#). If you would like to learn more about the Visiting the Elderly Programme please contact [Ms Westmoreland](#).



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FLIX News 2021

Our Michaelmas Term has kicked off with an interesting new programme of films entitled DIFFERENT STORIES - DIFFERENT LIVES (Part One)

This is the first part of a season of films in which we celebrate the way cinema can tell us stories which really do take us out of our comfort zone.

This season, we are screening films dealing with a variety of topics: disability, race and racism and gender issues which have been made by diverse film-makers from different countries. The new programme has been put together to reflect the times we live in and to ensure that film lovers at Stowe get the opportunity to experience as diverse a curriculum as possible.

We kicked off the term with Jay Roach's '**Bombshell**' (2019).

This is one of the first films to address the #MeToo movement and an engaging one it is too. Charlize Theron, Nicole Kidman and Margot Robbie are well cast as members of the Fox News team in America, who eventually brought about the downfall of its owner Roger Ailes. He was accused and found guilty of sexual misconduct, and the film tells the story of how these three women came together to fight the misogynistic culture which dominated American TV news at the time.

We have also started a monthly season of Sunday afternoon films entitled "**FLIX CLASSICS PRESENTS**" in the Science Lecture Theatre.

Our inaugural film was '**Citizen Kane**' (Welles, 1941). For some this remains "the best film ever made". Dr Webber introduced the film, and the small but appreciative audience, then debated its merits and demerits afterwards.

Coming up next in the season are:

Monday 27 Sept: '**The Elephant Man**' (Lynch, 1980)

Monday 1 Nov: '**Portrait of a Lady on Fire**' (Sciamma, 2019)

Sunday 7 Nov: '**The Draughtsman's Contract**' (Greenaway, 1982) - introduced by Ms Eisenhut

Monday 29 Nov: '**The Commune**' (Vinterberg, 2016)

Sunday 5 Dec: '**Meet Me in St Louis**' (Minnelli, 1944) - introduced by Ms Ackroyd

Plus, on Sunday 10 October there is a trip to see the new Bond Film '**No Time to Die**' - all three hours of it!

Andrew Webber, English Department



CCF RAF Section Summer Camp 2021

On Monday 28 June the Fourth Form RAF Section visited the Royal Air Force Museum in Hendon. We spent the morning walking around each of the hangars and learnt about the types of aircraft and missiles that have been used throughout the last 100 or more years. We had lunch there and continued to explore the Museum afterwards.

Hangar one was about World War I planes and how in 1914 they used pistols to shoot out of planes, but by 1916 the Germans discovered a way to put machine guns behind the propellers. They worked out a way to only make the machine gun fire when it was clear that there was no propeller in front of it. This allowed the plane to fly at high speeds and still rapid-fire without shooting its own propeller.

In the second hangar we saw World War II planes and their armaments. We learnt about the different types of bombers and bombs that the Germans and the Allies used. These included the Stuka dive-bomber, the B17 and the Lancaster, as well as the fighters that escorted them such as the Messerschmitt 109 and Spitfire.

In the third hangar we saw early jets such as the HE 163 and the Meteor. We also learned how bombs worked as well as the amazing German night fighter with a radar (Me 110 G-4).

In the final hangar we saw everything from Cold War fighters, such as the Phantom to the brand new F35. We learnt how air to air missiles and air to ground missiles worked and experienced what it is like to fly in a Eurofighter Typhoon by going in a simulator.

The following day we went gliding at Husbands Bosworth airfield. It was fantastic to be able to glide safely with very experienced professionals. Although the pull at the start was quite scary for most of us (going from 0 to 60 mph in two seconds), the descent was very relaxing and peaceful, and we really enjoyed controlling the glider ourselves and even doing a huge loop the loop in the sky. The instructors there were very

knowledgeable, kind and encouraging and made sure we always felt safe and knew what we were doing. It was a brilliant day out and we would all love to go gliding again soon. We all know how lucky we are to have been given the opportunity to experience gliding and continue to be grateful to the teachers for organising these memorable moments. We will never forget what it feels like to fly for the first time.

Alejandro Sanchez-Podesta (Fifth Form, Winton)
& **Michael Shpurik-Eronat (Fifth Form, Chandos)**





Arts Award

Many congratulations to last year's Arts Award cohort for receiving their Bronze Level Certificate from Trinity College London.

The following Stoics have received the award: Anna Gaichenia (Lower Sixth, Stanhope), Camille Thornton-Izzard (Fifth Form, Cheshire), Gretel Jarman (Fifth Form, Cheshire), Connie Goodrich (Fifth Form, Nugent), Jemima Pearson-Gee (Fifth Form, Nugent), Agatha White (Fifth Form, Nugent), Lily-Anne Moon (Fifth Form, Nugent) and Sophie Lloyd (Fifth Form, Nugent). All the girls have produced fantastic portfolios showcasing their Arts projects, which included endeavours in the worlds of dress making, oil painting, furniture decoration, monologue performance and music production.

Sandra Wheeler, Head of Arts Award

Stoics hold court!

A new Co-Curricular activity is on offer to the Fifth and Sixth Form Stoics this year, in the form of Mock Trial. The Mock Trial Competitions are Young Citizens' longest-running active citizenship experiences. Since 1991, they have provided unparalleled exposure to the criminal justice system, its venues and access to senior legal professionals. They have been supplying our young citizens with specially written cases so they can try the law against their peers in courts around the UK. **Young people play all the key roles** involved in a criminal trial: from lawyers to witnesses.

So far this term, the Stoics who have signed up to participate in this activity have been learning about the different roles found in the courtroom, and the differences between a Magistrates and Crown Court. This knowledge will set them in a good position for after half term, when they will be provided with two written criminal cases, for which they must prepare to defend and prosecute in a UK court. They will do so in the regional heat which is due to take place in the Lent Term.

Stoics who take part are encouraged to **think critically, build arguments and boost their confidence**. Through enabling pupils to interact with legal professionals, the competition helps develop employability skills. The experience will help students develop a sound **knowledge and understanding** of the role of law and the justice system in our society.

If any parents or guardians are able to support the group in preparing their cases, we would love to hear from you. Please email **Fran Shah** if you are able to support the Stoics in any way.

Fran Shah

Come and Join us for an Evening of Old Stoic Musical Talent!

Venue 2 at 229 LONDON will provide a platform from which, as yet, unsigned singer/songwriters and bands will showcase their talents to members of the Music Industry and to all enthusiasts wishing to witness the birth of possibly, the next Big Act.

The Stoic community, friends and guests are warmly invited to attend.

Click [here](#) to find out more.

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