

World Cup warm up England v Nigeria

On the 2nd of June 2018, some of the Year 9 football team had a fantastic opportunity to watch England play Nigeria at the iconic Wembley stadium. We left the school approximately at 10:30am, the journey was better than I expected as we were all so hyped for the occasion. Wembley was incredible! When the England and Nigerian team came out to sing their national anthem, the atmosphere was unreal!



England came out strong in the first half, with the man of the match, Gary Cahill with a whopping header straight into the top corner. The second goal was from our skipper, Harry Kane, 6 minutes before half time. England were sloppy in the second half, Nigeria scored a goal in the 47th minute (2 minutes after half time) with Arsenal youngster Alex Iwobi. The Nigerian fans went wild, it felt like there was Nigerian fans everywhere. The match finished 2-1 to England and it was a fantastic day out.

A massive thanks to Mr Easton and Mr Taylor for the experience.

Matthew Kirk 9CLE

Adventurous netball for the Year 8 PGL trip

On the 11th May, 15 Year 8 girls were squished into a mini bus (with way too much luggage) and were driven to the PGL centre, Liddington.



This was because we were taking an amazing opportunity to compete against other girls in netball matches. PGL Liddington was huge, we all had rooms with four girls each and for meals we went to a big lunch hall.

As well as going to play a handful of netball games, it was also to have fun and do activities too. These activities consisted of: going on a zip wire, a massive swing, trapeze, abseiling and much more.

On the Friday we arrived we had no matches, on Saturday we had 4 matches and on the Sunday we had 2. The matches were tough as we were up against many private girl's schools that practise for hours upon hours every week and every day, the competition was hard. Us on the other hand only practise once a week after school. For the matches, we took an A team and a B team who were both persistent and resilient whilst trying to win. Both teams did brilliant out of our category, sadly neither A or B won overall but the A came 4th and the B team 7th.

By Grace Burden-Groves 8CRI

County cup success

Taverham FC under 15s were in the league cup final against a good strong Attleborough side at the FDC field of dreams. Both sides have played in several cup finals and have experienced the final. Last year we lost to them in the cup final on penalties. This year was different...

The game kicked off and both sides were going at it early on. Attleborough came close within early minutes of the game.

We went 1-0 up at half time and second half was different we sat to deep letting them come at us, this led to mistakes and them getting a goal back and about 10 minutes after them equalising they bring back another with a great volley from outside the box the place erupts!



Its 2-2 and it goes into extra time the game gets tense and its end to end both teams battling the game out and edge of the box the smallest player on the pitch hits a volley and it's in the air what seemed to be ages then loops over the keepers head a ripples the back of the net. All our heads went down and we thought it was over but it wasn't over yet... a through ball from James Wagner (which he still makes out was the best pass in football) sets nicely for our skipper Joe Musket who rifles one top corner and everyone goes wild!!

The game then goes into penalties and all five who stepped up scored. It then went into sudden death and our keeper comes out with the goods and wins the game.

By Arly Bassham 10SOA and Lewis Bonner 10ROS

Norfolk School Games amazing athletics

On the 15th of May, a group of boys and girls were taken from years 7-10 for athletics held at the UEA. The day started with a coach load of pupils making their way to the UEA, ready to compete. The events started with the girls field events and boys track events. It was quite busy with 7 other schools attending. However the weather was lovely and it was nice for people to catch up with others from different schools they hadn't seen in a while.



Emma Grainger started the day off with a win in the discus posting an impressive throw of 25 metres. Evie Patrick then continued the success later on in the day with the girls track events winning by miles in the 100m sprint. There was also success in the boys events with a number of students representing the school well. The day continued to bring in a mixture of results, however every pupils gave it their all and performed well.

The relay was held last as usual. However everyone tends to enjoy that the most. The relay is all about teamwork and most of us tried our best, putting in a very good effort. Everyone had a good day in all, showing some really good team spirit as well as showing some excellent performances. We ended up coming 2nd out of 8 schools!

Leicester Trip

The Leicester trip was amazing. The Journey there was full of laughter and the same on the way back. As soon as we got close to the stadium I (and probably everyone else) could feel all the adrenaline and excitement rushing through our bodies. At first kick off there was a huge cheers from everyone in the stadium.

Two quick try's in the first 10 minutes made an entertaining start to the game. At half time the score all tied up at 13-13. Leicester Tigers were beating Newcastle for nearly the whole second half of the game. Unfortunately Leicester were disallowed a fantastic try which would have won them the game! Leicester's Tigers head coach stated "The TMO's (television match official) Always seem to go against us when we are at home". It was 23-13 with 15 minutes to go and as the clock hit 80 minutes, Newcastle Falcons scored a try to make it 23-23. This meant that the last moment of the game fell to Newcastle who had a kick at goal to win the game. They Newcastle kicker put the ball between the posts to make it 23-25. This was good for them as they haven't beat Leicester at Welford Road for 21 years. Overall it was one of the best experiences I have ever had and the teachers, Mr Easton and Mrs Masdin, made it even better!



By Rosa Betts 10MAS

Jacob Knights 8AND

County golfer driving to Improve

I started playing golf when I was 3 years old. My dad played regularly so I tried it and liked it straight away. As I liked it so much I decided to have some lessons. My first coach was Tony Varney, He coached me until I was 7. After that I moved to Weston Park.

Mike Foe then became my coach and I started playing on the course and having weekly lessons. At the age of 8 I got my handicap of 28. I played off 28 for just over 3 years. I then moved to Royal Norwich Golf Course just before Weston Park closed. This was the right move as my handicap started getting lower. I continued to shoot lower than my handicap. I then began having weekly lessons off Neil Lythco and got asked to play for the county under 12's. I now play for the county under 14's and I'm still continuing to improve.

By Daniel Leggett 8STL

