

Students Win First prize for their performance at the Lord Mayor's Parade July 2011

Sprowston High students were part of the winning float at the Lord Mayor's Parade on Saturday 9 July 2011. The students were part of the dance section and the float entitled 'Carnival Spirit' won first prize, including the best performance, costume and music to entertain the crowds and to represent 'carnival' in all its forms.

Many congratulations to all the students and staff who took part in the Lord Mayor's Parade. The black and white costumes looked fantastic and sparkled in the sun as they danced to the music of the samba band leading them. The choreography was based on Romeo and Juliet and the story of the rivalry between the two families, the Montagues and Capulets.

Margaret Quigley Assistant Headteacher



Year 11 Prom, Sprowston Manor

July 2011

I would just like to thank Year 11 on being such a fantastic year group to work with over the last four years and for an emotional and enjoyable Prom and Leavers' Assembly.

I hope everyone enjoyed the events and that they will leave an everlasting memory of Sprowston and your education with you. A big thank you to all the tutors for all their help and also to Mrs Cunningham and Mrs Pagan.

On the night of the Prom we were lucky with the weather, the heavens opened up at about 5pm and we had really heavy rain but by 6.30pm the sun was out and shining! Our first arrival was about 6.45pm and the last up the drive to the marquee at Sprowston Manor was approximately 8.40pm! There were all sorts of arrivals from hummers to horse and carriage... everyone superb! The theme was black & gold, we had for the first time a casino in the marquee and there were 4 full size tables where you could play black jack and roulette. The winners were Adam Jones and Hannah Airdrie who won the most over the evening against stiff competition!

Mr Cotter as ever photographed the arrivals in his usual professional manner – thank you for giving up your time to

make the occasion so special. Thanks must also go to Mrs Cunningham, Mrs Betts and Mrs Pagan for all their hard work in setting up the Prom and making everything run so smoothly.

The Prom awards were given out early on in the evening (thanks Shauni & Lewis for presenting and Tamsin for the PowerPoint for the awards) and then everyone was on the dance floor. The evening ended at 11pm.

The next afternoon was the Leavers' Assembly, we had some fantastic performances by all the acts and the whole assembly was brilliantly compared by Katie Piper. The last performance by Gemma Hawkes brought loads of tears from the audience and my final speech to the year group was a bit of a tear choker – I just managed to hold it together! Thanks to all the parents for turning up en masse we must have had nearly 600 people in the hall!

I would like to wish you all the best for the future – don't forget to let us know how you get on!

John Cordeaux Head of Year 11

We said good-bye on 31 August 2011 to

Dr Gillings, Head of Chemistry

Mrs Evans in MFL

Mr Holden in Humanities/Swimming

Mr Woodhead in Vocational

Mrs Foulkes in Humanities

Mr Hopwood and Mr Sexton in Maths

Ms Hands, English

Miss Rea in Creative Arts

Mr Berkieta, English

Ms Dunford, Library

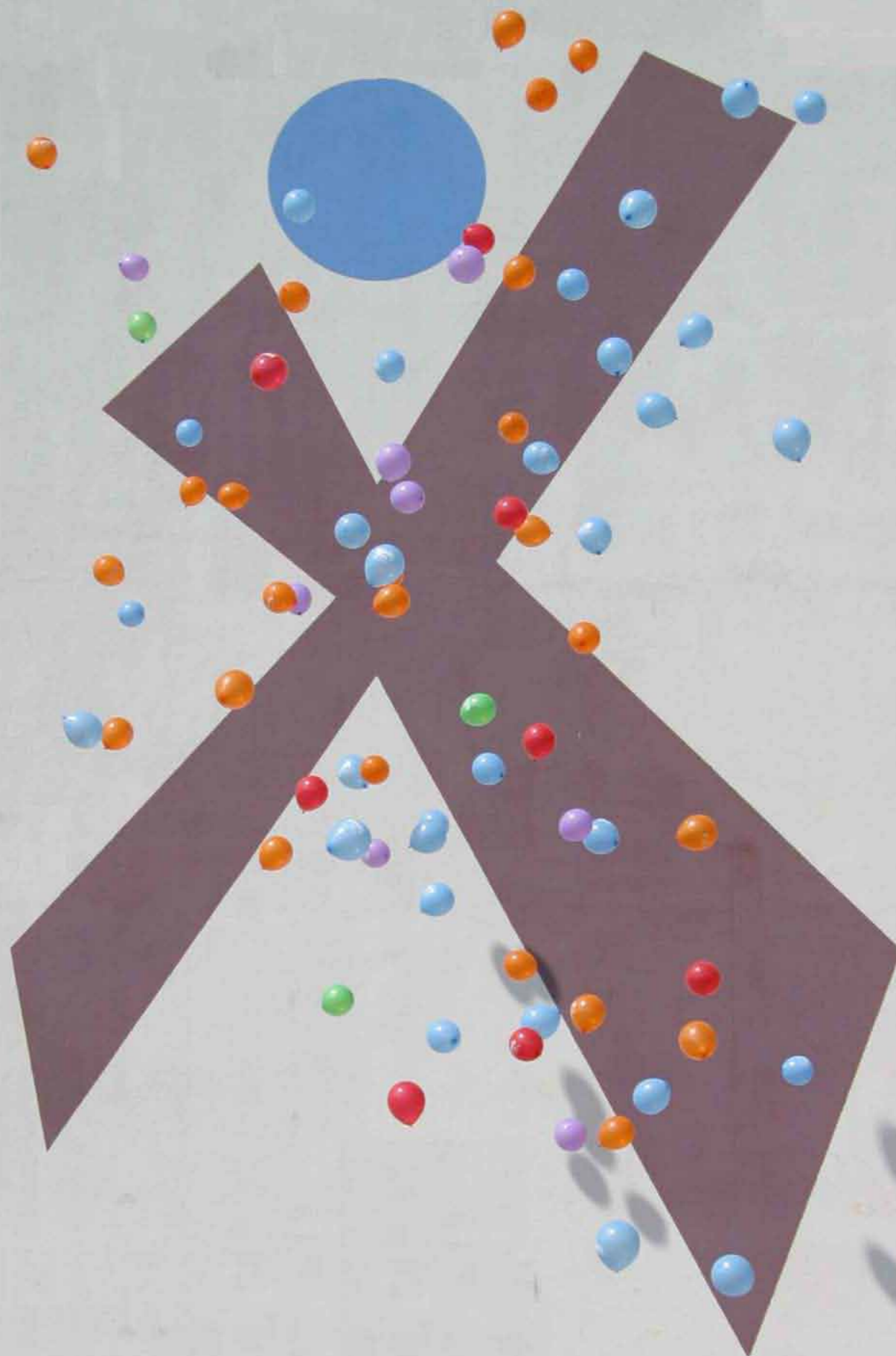
Mr Leeder, Science Technician

Mr Willett, Arts and Media Technician

Miss Shaw, English Teaching Assistant

SPROWSTON REVIEW

SPOTLIGHTS OF THE YEAR 2010-11



Dear Parents, Guardians and Carers,

This is a review of the last academic year, 2010 – 2011, and we aim in future to have a ‘Sprowston Review’ on a termly basis which clearly illustrates the wonderful opportunities we are providing.

My thanks go to all colleagues for all their hard work last year, and to the students for participating in our activities. I hope you enjoy your read and that you feel proud, as I certainly do – our achievements go far beyond the classroom and are simply a pleasure to read and witness.

Andrew John
Headteacher



Vision Statement:

We believe that all children and young people have the right to be **healthy, happy and safe;** to be **loved, valued and respected;** and to have **high aspirations** for their future.

“ The purpose of life, is a life of purpose.”

Year 8 Students fill the Norwich Playhouse Theatre November 2010

It was great to see the Norwich Playhouse Theatre filled to the brim with all our Year 8 students who went to see the Ranel Theatre Company, perform their excellent music, dance and comedy show, ‘Flhip Flhop’. Students also got the chance to meet performers Matt and Joey at a special pre-show assembly the day before the performance. The theatre trip was organised as part of the collapsed curriculum day activities on September 29th.

In the afternoon students solved and made tangrams, (mathematical puzzles), in the form of dancers and one group of students had a go at acting their tangram shapes out in Drama. A big thank you to all the Arts, Maths and Support staff who worked hard to make this a great opportunity happen.



Ballet Rambert November 2010



Before half-term 50 of our students, girls and boys, from across the age range, got the chance to work with one of the country's leading Contemporary Dance Companies, Ballet Rambert. There was a really strong aspirational buzz in the dance workshop led by Laura Harvey, as the students learnt to dance a small part of Ballet Rambert's Dance award winning; ‘Awakenings’ which they then saw performed at Norwich Theatre Royal.

We would like to thank our creative partners Norfolk Dance and the Theatre Royal for providing this wonderful experience for our students to both shine and be inspired. What the students thought and learnt:

‘It's been really hard work but I have had a great time and would like to be able to this again’. Jaybe Diamond Year 9

‘I really enjoyed the morning workshop with Ballet Rambert. It was exciting learning a new style of dance.’ Michelle Webb Sixth Form

Norwich East School Sports Partnership's Inter Schools Swim Gala

November 2010

On Tuesday 19th October over 60 Swimmers from Sprowston High School, Open Academy, Thorpe St Andrew, Acle and Broadland High Schools competed in the Norwich East School Sports Partnership's Inter Schools Swim Gala.

Swimmers took part in individual and team relays, with some very close races between the 5 teams competing. Sprowston swimmers accrued a fantastic 10 – 1st places and 5 – 2nd places out of 29 races. Unfortunately though our swimmers were just pushed out of 1st place by the Thorpe St Andrew's Swim Team by 10 points.

Congratulations to all of our squad: Lucy Drane, Zak Vincent, Eleanor Thwaites, Lee Blackett, Amy Turner, Ollie Howes, Chloe Stockwell, Rosie Branford, Jason Willgrass, Robyn Nash, Jack Thomson, Kate Brighten.

Final Positions and scores were:

- 1st Thorpe 115
- 2nd Sprowston 105
- 3rd Broadland 82
- 4th Acle 21
- 5th Open 15

Well done to Jack Thomson, Lucy Drane, Amy Turner, Robyn Nash, Kate Brighten and Lee Blackett, for gaining

1st places in their individual races. Consequently, they have now been selected to represent the School in the Norwich East School Sport Partnership Squad in the County Schools Inter Swim Gala, at the UEA Sportspark on the 18th November.

Many of these pupils will now be selected to represent the Partnership in the County Schools Gala later this year at Sportspark, Norwich.

Thank you must also go to the staff that selected and accompanied their students to the event, all staff and students that helped with officiating duties. Contributing to a very smoothly run gala – squeezing over 29 races into a very short amount of time!



Review of FAME the Musical December 2010

The Fame Cast taken by Mark Cotter

I would like to say a great big thank you and congratulations to **everyone** who had been involved in Fame the Musical.

Debbie Money and Chris Causon are to be congratulated on achieving such an excellent standard of performance from a very large cast. The principals were outstanding as were the chorus, and dancers. As Fame is mainly a song and dance show the dancing was all important, and we were not disappointed. The standard was very high.



The set design was simple, yet effective. The scene changes were part of the show, and were carried out by a very efficient team, thanks to Stage Manager, Lesley Dawson. The lighting was an integral part of Fame, which enhanced the action taking place on stage. It is not an easy task to keep a good balance of sound between the stage and the band, so well done. The Band made a superb sound.

The programme was very professional, and the print and photographs on white were easy to read. The Front of House team was most welcoming and helpful.

I repeat, thanks to **EVERYONE** for a very enjoyable production, which I would be delighted to see again and again.

Sheila Tuffield (Governor)

FAME the Musical - Norwich Evening News December 2010

Talented youngsters at a Norfolk high school will be showcased in a classic production of the hit musical Fame – which runs for three consecutive nights from tonight. The musical will be performed by a stellar cast of talented high school actors, dancers and a live band from Sprowston Community High School. Debbie Money, Head

Sprowston Animation Club February 2011

The Animation Club takes place after-school every Monday. Students from different year groups are working hard on a set of animations on the theme of **'Dreams and Aspirations'**, under the guidance of Animation Tutor, David Lloyd and some very skilled student leaders. Charlotte from Year 8 had this to say about the club: *'I really love animation club... the animations are amazing to make and we work hard. My animation is about a girl called Evie who wants to be an artist. Animation club has really boosted my confidence, I would recommend Animation Club to anyone and give it 10 out of 10 in all areas'*.

Jo from Year 7 says... *'Hi, I'm Jo. This is my first year at the club and I've been quite enjoying it. I enjoy the drawing. We have made an animation with buttons and I've learnt how to animate objects'*.

of drama at the school and director of the production, said: 'We have always wanted to produce Fame the Musical at Sprowston Community High School as it is a showcase for our talented students who can both sing, dance and act. The cast, crew and supporting staff have all worked so hard and we are very proud of them.' For those who somehow missed the storyline of the musical, which has been made into a film on two occasions, it is set in a performing arts school in New York and combines exciting drama, dancing and music. It follows the story of a group of young hopefuls as they audition for roles, experience successes and disappointments, but are persistent in their dedication as they face challenging, personal situations in order to make it in the world of entertainment. Thirteen-year-old schoolboy Billie Bell, who is part of the production, said that it gave him the chance to express his passion for the Arts. He added: 'I am extremely proud to be part of the production. I am tired after months of rehearsals but I know it will be worth it in the end.' One of the lead characters, Nick Piazza, is played by Alex Kubiesa, who added: 'I am excited but exhausted.'

The show runs for three nights, starting at 7.30pm, from tonight until Friday.

Press article by **David Bale**



Creating a moving image from metal cogs

West End Performance Arts Workshop February 2011

Sprowston students really raised the bar as they took part in a 'West End' Performance Arts Workshop run by the Dance Captain from the London production of 'Hairspray', on tour at Norwich Theatre Royal. Over 65% of the students involved rated their learning experience as excellent and 95% rated their enjoyment as excellent. This is how the students reviewed their experience:

'It's a hard business to compete in – you have to aspire to achieve'

'The choreography has meanings relating to themes in the show and I need to lose my inhibitions to succeed'

'I learnt how to do things that I didn't think I could do'

'Working with professionals is very important, as they give us ideas and answer questions that we need for a potential future as dancers'

'It inspires you to work harder'



O2 Learn – The Reincarnation Song and the RS Hindu Rap Competition February 2011



Mr A & Mr C (Mr Allerhand and Mr Cordeaux) are now launching their third video on **O2 Learn**. We want all students, parents, teachers, governors and friends of the school to watch and enjoy the 9 minute video

'Reincarnation Rap Song'. It's educational, but it's also very funny.

The short film presents the key ideas of Hinduism in a song with a very funny rap included as well as questions and answers at the end. It was filmed in the school drama studio and out on location in the streets of Norwich. How many locations in Norwich can you identify? Can you rap like Mr A and Mr C? If so, all students can enter the Hindu rap competition in their RS lessons and win prizes, download the **Reincarnation Rap Task** for details.

Also, by registering with **O2 Learn** using the instructions detailed in the link below you will be able to vote at least three times for the film up to the 14 March. We have already won £2000 from our second O2 Learn video Matters of Life and Death, and we are in with a chance of winning £100,000 for new construction for our school, with you, the students deciding how the money will be spent.

Therefore please vote and let us have your raps! **Mr A & Mr C (John Allerhand and John Cordeaux)**

Student led choir 'The Voice' perform at Norfolk County Music Festival March 2011

On the 8 March 2011, our very own student led choir 'The Voice' performed at the Norfolk County Music Festival. The festival aims to raise the standard of amateur music making and the spoken word, by offering the opportunity to people to perform in public in uplifting venues in front of specialist and professional adjudicators.

'The Voice' was commended on their performance with some very positive feedback from the adjudicator. Well done to everyone who was involved. The Voice being introduced at the festival.

Olivia Dean Community Education Worker



The Voice taking a break from rehearsals.

Year 8 Theatre Experience at Norwich Playhouse March 2011

Once again, it was brilliant to see our students fill the entire Norwich Playhouse Theatre, have fun and learn from other cultural experiences through performance. The Playhouse Theatre staff praised our students on how well they participated as an audience with the actors from the Gomito Theatre Company and I am sure they will remember their experience of 'Flor de Muerto', for some time to come.

In the afternoon students continued their 'Theatre Experience', as part of our collapsed curriculum day, by working together in teams to play the enterprise theatre game, where students competed to design and make the best theatre presentation.

What the students thought:

'I didn't expect to see 4 actors playing 30 different people! I also did not expect it to be so colourful' Stan

'I learnt about Mexicans celebrating the day of the dead and how you can have little props but still make the performance great!' Anon

'When I heard about this I didn't think it would be any good but in the end I really enjoyed it!' Autumn

'It was different because it was very imaginative and sad in parts.' Holli
Margaret Quigley Assistant Headteacher



Year 12 Students Visit Berlin March 2011



From 14th to 16th February, 20 Year 12 students accompanied me, Mr Allerhand and Ms Adams on our annual history trip to Berlin. The visit is designed to help them understand first hand how the capital of Germany has been affected by world events throughout history. Having studied Weimar Germany at GCSE, all the students had the opportunity to see the places that Hitler himself worked and planned his empire from, as well as the key hot points from the later Cold War, including the Berlin wall.

We stayed in the International Youth Hostel, 20 minutes walk from Potsdamer Platz in the centre of the city. The students were all an absolute pleasure to take, and real ambassadors of the Kett Sixth Form. Year 12 student Keiron Marchese has written an account of his experiences in Berlin, which can be accessed using the link below.

Sarah Copsey

Staff and students at Checkpoint Charlie, Berlin

Year 12 Students Visit King's College Cambridge April 2011

On Wednesday 23rd March, the Year 12 Gifted and Talented group enjoyed a visit to King's College, Cambridge. Our visit was led by Kristy Guneratne, the Schools Liaison Officer at King's. On arrival, the first thing the group got to experience was eating lunch in the dining hall at King's. The students also had a very informative talk on 'How Cambridge Works'. This included details such as how to apply, what the differences are within the colleges, the deadline date for applications and what to expect should you be asked to an interview at Cambridge. Kristy was also joined by Nicola, an English undergraduate at King's who provided the group with a student's perspective. This was then followed by an opportunity for the students to ask questions. This talk was so useful to the students, and really provided them with first hand knowledge of Cambridge University.

The students were also given a tour of King's College which gave them access to areas ordinarily only available to undergraduates. This gave them an insight to the facilities that the college and Cambridge University itself has to offer.

Overall, this proved to be not only a very enjoyable day for the Year 12 Gifted and Talented group, but an extremely useful day which we hope has inspired many of the students to think of applying to Cambridge University, as well as to university in general.

Claire Pullen (Gifted and Talented Co-ordinator)

Foolhardy Circus Big Top Residential Week April 2011

Year 7 and 8 students had the amazing opportunity to take part in a week's residential with Foolhardy Circus at the end of our Spring term. For one week 33 students worked with specialist circus performers in the 'Big Top' circus tent and devised their own performance which they performed to family members and friends on the final day.

During the week they learnt a wide range of circus skills including: the trapeze, walking up the Chinese Pole and across the tightrope, juggling, hoola hoop, diablo, plate spinning, stilts, unicycle, clowning, learning about clown face painting and creating their own special, clown face egg.

Student feedback shows what a superb time the students had and how much they engaged with the circus performers, enjoyed and learnt from this unique and often challenging experience;

Student Ratings

74% *'learnt a lot on this course about new skills' all of the time.*

26% *'learnt a lot on this course about new skills' most of the time*

86% *'enjoyed the course' - all of the time.*

14% *'enjoyed the course' - most of the time.*

Student Comments

Which aspects of the course made you proud to have taken part?

All of the awesome hard tricks.

Everyone discussing what we have achieved through the past week.

To get picked to do it all.



I have had a lot of fun doing the course and have learnt how to get along with people better and achieved so much.

- I don't think it could be improved it was the best one.
- How did the group work together?
- We all made like a big family.
- Communicating.
- They did not give up and run off all the time.
- Because we were all watching each other and looking at what we had to do.
- Everyone got on like a house on fire.
- We always listened to each other's ideas and helped each other.
- Our group worked well and almost everyone took part.
- We all did as much as we could.
- By listening and co-operating.
- We talked and got on well together.
- We all worked amazing so Chris could teach us.

Many thanks to the Children's Services Youth Work Team and Foolhardy Circus for providing our students with this amazing opportunity which I am sure many will remember for a long time after.

Margaret Quigley Assistant Headteacher



'Footie' Finance Day at Carrow Road April 2011

Financial and budgeting skills were put to the test for 15, Year 10 Economics students when they arrived at Carrow Road for a 'Footie Finance Day'. Unknown to them, they were to become The Board of Norwich City Football Club for the day.

Having been split into 4 'Management Boards', the first task ahead of each Board was to create the tallest tower using only a few sheets of paper, a pair of scissors and a metre strip of cello tape! Amazingly, structures grew and developed out of nowhere and the communication and ideas between board members, which were being judged by Aviva representatives, led to some impressive towers being built. Local MP Chloe Smith also joined in with the morning's activities, offering help and hands on advice, demonstrated by climbing on to the table top to take responsibility for placing the last winning structural element to the tallest tower!

The next task for the 'Boards' was to use brainstorming sessions to review revenue streams such as ticket sales, merchandise, TV rights and sponsorship sales, that Norwich City Football Club currently use to generate income, ordering them from biggest generator of income to the smallest. This set the foundations for the final Dragon's Den style task which was to be judged, with results determining how much money each team would get to spend on their own 'Football Team' for the afternoons 'Championship League'.

Teams created a Power Point presentation to illustrate the innovative ideas they had come up with to generate extra income streams which the Club doesn't already utilise. Presentations were scored on innovation, effectiveness of power point slides, strength of presentation and ultimately on their logic of spending!

Students produced some great ideas including a '1 night only - Oasis Reunion Gig', a 'Signature' designer footballers range of clothing, a Norwich City Sports Day, consisting of a sponsored boat race between Ipswich and Norwich City, followed by a sponsored Mascot Competition and finally, a return to the old style mobile food, drink and memorabilia vendors, which students saw in a DVD presentation depicting the History of the Club.

After lunch in the viewing area above Carrow Road's hallowed turf, students were placed into their own Champions League, assuming roles of Player/Manager, Player/Coach, Captain, Star Player and Player.

In the rising heat of what must have been the hottest day of the year so far, Teams gallantly played rounds of matches against each other on the pitches at Carrow Park. Prior to the start of each match, Managers received a joker card, which they had to deal with, possibly affecting team performance or the financial situation of their club! With transfer windows between games, Managers had to take responsibility for bidding for players to increase their team's success and manage their team's financial situation.

All Teams ended up winners on the day, with everyone financially budgeting to keep themselves out of the RED! The day was a fantastic opportunity and experience for students who all gained a clear indication of what challenges are faced by professional Football Club's!

A huge thanks to Aviva and the Community Sports Foundation who sponsored the event and made the day such an enjoyable one!

Teams battle it out to create the tallest towers



Norwich District Athletics Championships May 2011

On Friday 20 May athletes from years 8 – 10 took part in the Norwich District Athletics Championships at the UEA. It was a fantastic day helped by the weather and the superb attitude of the Sprowston athletes. All the athletes played a part in a brilliant team performance. The junior girls finished in third place overall and many of our students will be selected to represent the area.

The most outstanding performances of the day were:

- Ellie Girling – 1st long jump and 1st 200m
- Rosie Branford – 2nd long jump
- Lucy Ring – 200m 3rd and 3rd 100m
- Kelly Leyer – 100m 2nd and 3rd high jump
- Lauren Whitmore – 2nd discus
- Chloe Higgenbottam – 3rd 300m
- Katie Vickery – 1st long jump and 1st 100m
- Gemma Vickery – 1st discus and 1st hammer
- Matthew Burgess – 3rd 200m
- Callum Arneil – 3rd Javelin
- Joe Bennett – 3rd high jump



- Cameron Norman – 1st 1500m
- Cameron Reid – 3rd 1500m
- Aiden Boulter – 2nd discus
- Simon Woolard – 2nd 1500m
- Junior girls relay – 2nd place
- Inter girls relay – 3rd place

Huge congratulations to all athletes who took part!
Joanna Dyer

A – Level Physics Students Visit The Norfolk & Norwich Hospital May 2011

Pictured from left are Ike Okoye, Blaine Kenneally and Toby Barrett outside the Norfolk and Norwich radiotherapy department



On the 26 May the Upper Sixth Physics group went to the Norfolk & Norwich Hospital to visit the Radiotherapy and Nuclear medicine departments. The tour was based around a patient's experience of detection, planning and treatment of cancerous growths using high and low energy radiation. Imaging techniques such as CT and the gamma camera were looked at and explained by the professionals, who use them on a daily basis; treatment plans were also modelled and explained.

The tour continued to the high energy linear accelerators used in administering radiotherapy. It makes a huge difference to an understanding of the Physics behind a machine such as the Linear Accelerator if you see one in the flesh. An appreciation of how it is explained to a patient with little or no scientific background was also invaluable, as the experience of radiotherapy could easily be unsettling for a patient; working in a hospital definitely requires people skills.

If you think you might be interested in a career in radiotherapy or radiography and would like to speak to someone then please contact me. The Physics department has established good links with the hospital and can put you in touch with the relevant people.

Stephen Ashbee Head of Physics

Learning Zone Cake Sale May 2011

Staff and students from the Learning Zone recently held a cake sale to raise desperately needed funds for Hillside Animal Sanctuary.

All cakes were 'homemade' by staff or by students in school at lunchtime and an amazing £125 was raised on the day. *A big thank-you to Pat Thorpe for leading the event and to everybody who supported us.*

Staff and students get to grips with baking for the Learning Zone cake sale



Sixth Form Students Visit Italy May 2011

Sixth Form students in Sorrento, Italy



Mark Cotter, Janis Brown and I took 19 sixth form students to Italy for a 4 day trip at the beginning of the Easter holidays. We arrived in Naples in the morning on the Thursday after an extremely early start. The weather was beautiful, and the scenery between Naples and Sorrento is really fantastic. We spent the afternoon shopping in Sorrento, after a slap up pizza meal in the town.

On the Friday we had an early start, taking the train to Pompeii where we met our guide Mario. The entire morning was spent looking at the main attractions in the ancient city including the amphitheatre, takeaway shops and temples. We then took the train further along the line to

Ercolano, to visit the town of Herculaneum. Being a smaller site, we managed to see nearly all of the houses, and a bath suite. Only one fifth of the site has been excavated, as the modern day town has been built above it.

Saturday was yet another beautiful day, when we took the train to Sorrento, then a ferry over to the exclusive island of Capri. We enjoyed a full day there, taking a funicular to the top of the island where we went window shopping in the designer shops. We headed back through Sorrento for some final bits of shopping, then back to the hotel for a gorgeous last night meal.

The final day was the earliest start, arriving at a mozzarella farm at 8.30am where we saw mozzarella being made, and then got to sample it. The final part of the trip involved being driven up the side of the volcano Mount Vesuvius, and then walking to the top to see the crater itself. If it had been less cloudy, I am sure the views would have been amazing; as it was, just being on the top of a live volcano was pretty impressive!

We arrived back at Sprowston tired but happy. All the students were a pleasure to take away, and I hope they have as many good memories as I do. Sarah Copey

Norfolk Governor Awards ceremony

Two of our governors Jane Sexton and Sheila Tuffield were recognised at the second annual Norfolk Governor Awards ceremony organised by Norfolk County Council and Norfolk Governors Network (NGN). The event which was held at Castle Museum in Norwich on the 21 June aims to highlight the valuable role played by the county's 5000 governors. The Lord Lieutenant Richard Jewson was the guest of honour who also presented the awards.

Jane Sexton was identified as having made an **outstanding contribution** to governance in a Norfolk School. Fiona Hardman (Chair), Angela Capper (Vice chair) and Andrew John, Headteacher, said, 'Jane is a dedicated governor who is fully involved in school life and is tireless in ensuring that parent voice is heard at a strategic level.... Jane leads by example, being both supportive and challenging, and

organising the work of the committee effectively and efficiently.'

They also said of Sheila Tuffield, who received a **Certificate of Recognition** for good service at the school, 'She is a truly dedicated governor who gives of her time to the school without question....She is an active member of two governor committees and makes a considerable contribution to both, assisting discussions with considered and perceptive insights.'

From left, Jane Sexton and Sheila Tuffield



Year 10 Digital Art Work to go on display in school June 2011

Members of the digital art and graphics after-school group; Ebony Dent, James Ivett, Sam Towler, Alex Fynn, Isobel Ventress and Christopher Ewles display their art work which will go on display around the school. *Ebony Dent's* image of the fairy (pictured in the centre) will also be used for a publicity poster in the coming drama production of Fairy Tales.



Sprowston Film Awards Celebration Evening 2011 June 2011

'Brilliant examples of technical and time consuming animation' Peter White (East Anglian Film Archive).

On June 15 students, families and friends enjoyed the celebration of student achievements in film making at the *Community Film Awards Evening*. Films by partner schools and high school students were produced on the theme of 'Dreams and Aspirations', in partnership with film-makers Robert Vaughan, David Lloyd and BBC Norfolk. Taking part were students from; Sprowston Junior School, White Woman Lane Junior School, Woodland View Junior and Sprowston Community High School. During the evening a special award was present to Lee Cooper, who received the high school's first ever **Platinum Arts Award for his contribution and commitment to animation and the arts**. Lee was one of the original members of the schools animation club which produced the award winning 'Brains and Bananas' and this year he helped lead the animation club.

Students and members of the audience enjoyed the show and Peter White from the East Anglian Film Archive praised the quality of the student work; 'Strength in storytelling, some brilliant examples of technical and time consuming animation. Enjoyed the obvious 'Aardman conversation pieces' and influences. The students' work is a great credit to the school. Bravo'



Pictured top left are Robert Vaughan, Film Tutor assisting White Woman Lane students. Pictured right, the puppet produced by White Woman Lane Junior School and Sprowston Junior School

Year 8 Awards for the Start Exhibition at Norwich Playhouse



Prize winners *Jessica Brooks, Danny Chan and Travis Watson* all received book tokens for their creative writing and art work produced for the Norwich Playhouse as part of the *Year 8 Start Project Exhibition*. Over the last 3 years, Year 8 students from Sprowston have had the opportunity to see some of the latest exciting and inventive performances by touring theatre groups as part of a partnership project involving the Playhouse Theatre, The Prince's Trust and the school. At the opening of the exhibition Sprowston High also won a 'life long achievement award' for contributing to some of the most creative project work over the last 3 years.

Thank you to all staff who contributed to the success of this project.

Margaret Quigley Assistant Headteacher
Prizewinners Danny Chan and Jessica Brooks

Year 6 Students take part in Performance Arts WOW Days June 2011

Students from Sprowston Junior School and White Woman Lane Junior School visited our school on the 22 June to take part in our Performance Arts WOW Days as part of our transition activities. Students worked with our Year 7 students to perform their own 'haunted house' drama and develop dance and chorography skills. Thanks to Performance Arts staff Debbie Money and Hannah Rea for leading these sessions.

