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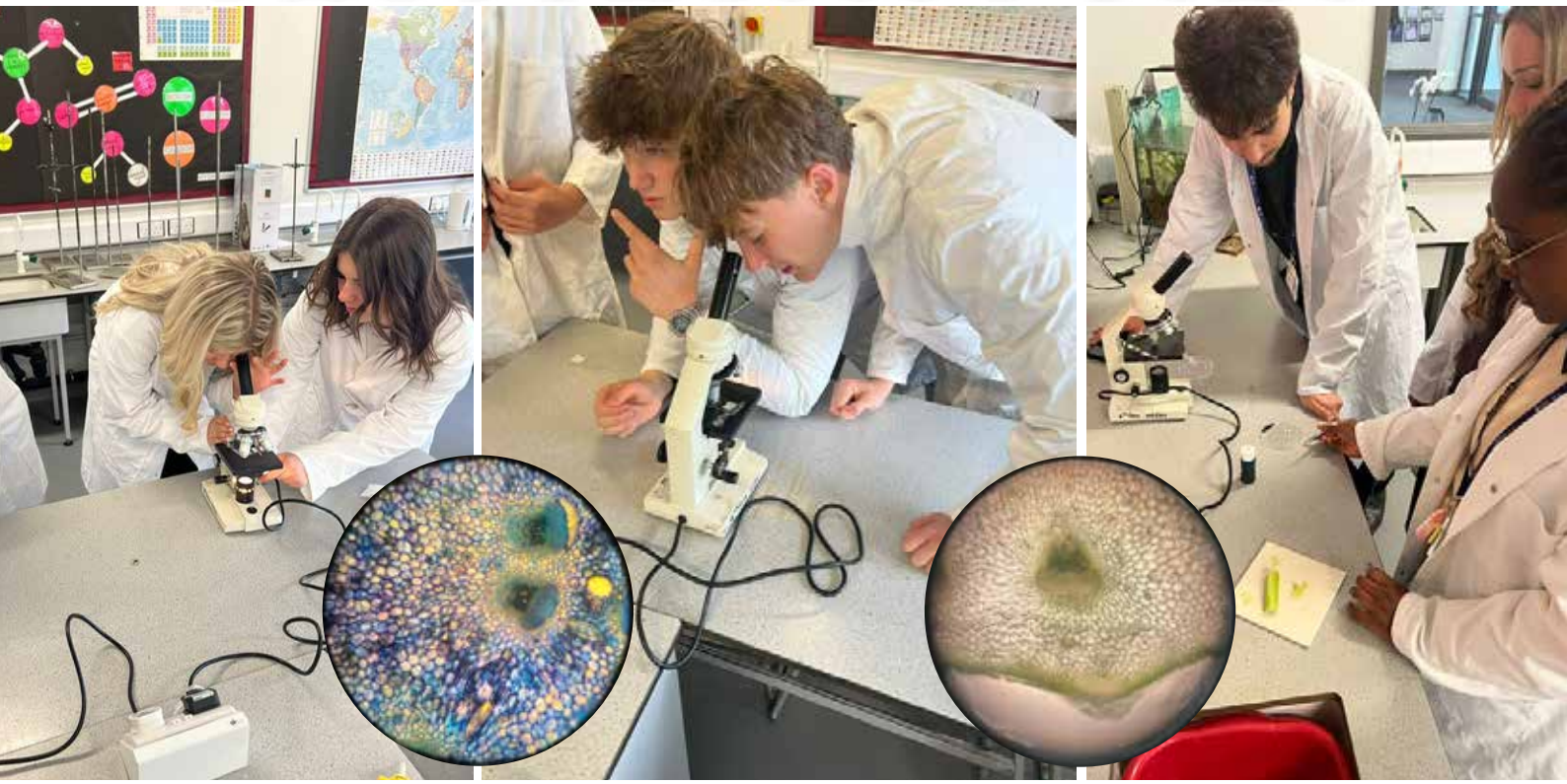


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# APPLIED SCIENCE AT NPA SIXTH FORM



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**HISTORIANS AT PETERBOROUGH CATHEDRAL**



**GREAT TOMMY SLEEP OUT**



# MERIDIAN TRUST NEWS



Hello, the year as ever seems to be flying by, and exam season is now well under way across our schools. I hope all has gone well for our young people sitting GCSEs and A Levels. Once the pressure of exams has passed, the final term of this academic year is always full of excitement around our value of 'Extending The Boundaries Of Learning' with activities across our schools, from residential trips to sporting events, and inter-school events including our annual Meridian Trust Arts Festival, to mention just a few.

This term, we welcome three new Trustees to our Trust Board following the departure of Kevin Barton and Mark Squires, who have been dedicated and valued trustees for over 30 years collectively. Welcome to Julie Buchanan, Jacqui Hall and Ian Herbert. You can find out more about these individuals on our website. After fifteen years, Shirley Jamieson will step down as

Chair of Trustees at the end of this term. Shirley has played a pivotal role in the development and growth of the Trust and has made an extraordinary contribution to Meridian Trust over many years. On behalf of everyone across the Trust, I would like to thank Shirley, and we are delighted that she will continue to support the Trust as Member of the Trust Board, ensuring the Trust continues to benefit from her experience and guidance in the years ahead.

In news from across our schools, Ofsted have visited a few of our schools under the new Ofsted report card system. Reports are now published for The Cambridge Partnership (our teacher training facility), The Ferrers School in Northamptonshire and NeneGate School in Peterborough.



An important initiative running across our curriculum at both primary and secondary level is our Climate Action Strategy, which focuses on ensuring every student understands the realities of climate change

and feels empowered with the knowledge, confidence and motivation to make a difference. Our Meridian Trust Environment Day on 5th June brought together student Eco-Council representatives and staff Climate Champions from all 14 secondary schools. Well done to everyone involved who made the day such a success!

Finally, our annual Performing Arts Festival kicks off from 23rd June. This event is always a wonderful showcase of talent across our Primary and Secondary schools. This year, there are four primary school hub showcases, and the grand finale at Weldon Academy will be a narrative element based on Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet by secondary pupils. Visit our Facebook page for details on livestreams of each showcase and ticket sales.

Ahead of the end of term, I want to wish everyone happy and safe summer holidays.

Thank you as always for your ongoing support and involvement in school life.



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**Mark Woods**  
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# A Message From The Principal

As we reach the end of another academic year, I am filled with immense pride in all that has been achieved across our academy community. It has, once again, been a year defined by commitment, growth, and a genuine sense of togetherness that makes Nene Park Academy such a special place to learn and to work.

Throughout this edition of Park Life, you will see countless examples of our students extending the boundaries of their learning and embracing opportunities both within and beyond the classroom. From the resilience shown by our Duke of Edinburgh participants during their expeditions, to the compassion demonstrated by students taking part in the Great Tommy Sleep Out, and the outstanding academic success of our Sixth Form students in national competitions such as the Chemistry Olympiad, these moments reflect the breadth and depth of opportunity available here.

Equally, I am proud of the way our students support one another. The work of our Year 12 mentors guiding younger students, the leadership shown by our House Captains, and the many examples of students contributing positively to school life exemplify the strong sense of community and responsibility we strive to nurture.

My sincere thanks go to our staff, whose dedication, expertise, and care underpin everything that we achieve. I would also like to extend my gratitude to our parents and carers for their ongoing support. Our recent Parent-Friendly School award recognises the strength of this partnership, and it is clear that when we work together, our students thrive.

As we look ahead to the next academic year, there are some important expectations that will continue to underpin our success. Excellent attendance remains vital — being in school every day ensures that students maximise their opportunities and achieve the very best outcomes. Similarly, completing homework, arriving fully equipped for lessons, and approaching assessments with preparation and determination are all key habits that lead to long-term success.

High standards in uniform, including correct PE kit and the right equipment, are not simply about appearance; they reflect pride, readiness to learn, and a commitment to being part of a professional learning environment. These expectations help to create a culture where every student can focus,

succeed, and feel a strong sense of belonging.

As we say goodbye to another cohort of Year 11 and Year 13 students, we do so with pride in everything they have achieved and every confidence in their future success. For those returning in September, and for our new students joining us, we look forward with great enthusiasm to the opportunities ahead. There is much to build on, and even more to achieve together.

Finally, thank you to every member of our community — students, staff, parents, and carers — for your contribution to what has been a truly successful year. I wish you all a safe, restful, and enjoyable summer break, and I look forward to welcoming everyone back for another exciting year at Nene Park Academy.

Warmest regards,

**Rob Grover**  
Principal



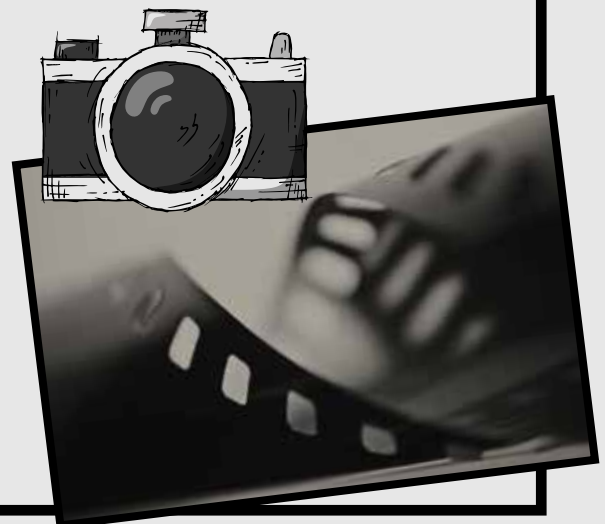
We have also celebrated remarkable success in sport and enrichment. Achieving the Gold School Games Mark, representing our district at county athletics, and raising significant funds through events such as our 10 Hours of Sport initiative are all testament to the enthusiasm, dedication, and teamwork shown by our students and staff.



# Art

## Budding Photographers @ NPA

*Year 12 photographers made their first dark room prints from film they shot and developed!*



# Pi Day

The Maths Department were very excited to kick off **Pi Day** celebrations in March with their Pi Quiz which was open to all NPA parents, staff and students.

It was a chance for the whole NPA Community to get involved and test their knowledge whilst learning mathematical facts and terminology along the way.



**Nene Park Academy**  
Maths Department

# HAPPY PI DAY!

What an *amazing week* celebrating all things  $\pi$  at Nene Park Academy!



Learning the **history** of Pi



Exploring the **applications** of Pi



Taking part in fun **Pi activities & quizzes**

Thank you for getting involved  
**NPA Community!**

We will be announcing our winners next week...

**Watch this space!**

# THE GREAT TOMMY SLEEP OUT

On Friday 13th March, some of our Year 7 students, the Combined Cadet Force (CCF) and staff took part in the Great Tommy Sleep Out.

They gave up one night to raise awareness and vital funds to help provide safe homes, mental health support and a pathway back to independence for those who once served our country.

One night in the cold highlights the harsh reality that thousands of veterans and other unhoused citizens have to endure.

Thank you to everyone that took part.





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Parent-friendly  
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## Parent – Friendly School

We are delighted to share that Nene Park Academy has achieved the **Parent-Friendly School Standard Award** and is now working towards silver and gold accreditation. This recognition celebrates our commitment to building strong relationships with parents and carers and working together to support our students. We believe that when school and families work together, students thrive. Thank you to all of our

parents and carers for the support you give our community.

If you would like to become more involved, one great way is through our **PFA (Parents & Friends Association)**.

The PFA are always keen to welcome new members!

[npapfa@gmail.com](mailto:npapfa@gmail.com)



ROYAL SOCIETY  
OF CHEMISTRY

### Chemistry Olympiad

This year, A level Chemistry students took part in the International Chemistry Olympiad that brings together the brightest young scientist from across the globe. Our students achieved an outstanding set of results at the International Chemistry Olympiad, earning a remarkable total of 21 awards. Their hard work and scientific talent were recognised with 5 silver medals and 16 bronze medals, reflecting an exceptional standard of achievement.



# Biomedical Careers

Year 11 students visited ARU in Peterborough to sample careers in biomedical science.



# Wildlife enjoying our beautiful grounds

Early morning photos of wildlife visiting NPA. Two geese looking very comfortable in front of the building, two ducks who regularly wait for the gates to be opened so they can walk in, and the Rowling Raven who spends most of his day trying to get into school and is already keen to learn.

One of the great things about our school site, is the abundance of wildlife around us. We frequently see rabbits, hedgehogs, squirrels, ducks and geese.

One of our members of staff also has an app which records birdsong and identifies birds in the area. So far it has picked up over 20 different songbirds at NPA, including Goldfinch, Wren, a Green Woodpecker and even a Tawny Owl.



## CCF @ NPA



# Combined Cadet Force

It was NPA Cadets first time at the prestigious 'Combat Cadets 2026' competition which encompasses an area from Essex to Northamptonshire, Lincolnshire and Rutland. They were delighted to win a bronze medal, what a fantastic achievement!!



## LENNON

### Celebrating Student Success

It has been another fantastic term for Lennon House, with students achieving success both inside and outside of school.

At our recent Easter Celebration Assembly, we were delighted to recognise the students who achieved the highest number of achievement points in their Year groups. Congratulations to Edmund W (Y7), Josiah P (Y8), Jacob H (Y9), Nicola A (Y10), Lontein W (Y11), Zadia S (Y12) and Millie M (Y13). Their dedication, positive attitude and commitment to school life have set an excellent example for others to follow.

We are also incredibly proud of Billie L, who has recently signed with Brighton & Hove Albion FC. This exciting opportunity is the result of years of hard work, determination and commitment to football. Everyone at Nene Park Academy wishes Billie every success as he pursues his dream of becoming a professional footballer at a Premiership Club.



Finally, a huge thank you to our dedicated Year 12 student mentors, who have been supporting Year 10 students in English and Maths as they prepare for their mock examinations. Daniel A, Mahmood B, Josh D, Antonia C, Melissa R, Mia R, Connor M, Tom W and Zach W have generously volunteered their time to help younger students build confidence and strengthen their understanding. Their commitment to helping others reflects the strong sense of community and leadership within our Sixth Form.

### Celebrating Success Beyond School

We love hearing about what our students achieve outside of school. If your son or daughter has accomplished something within the local community – whether it be in sport, music, volunteering, or any other activity – please do get in touch, and this can also be used to contribute to their achievement of PLEDGES and challenges.

You can share details and photos by emailing [jhooper@neneparkacademy.org](mailto:jhooper@neneparkacademy.org). We always enjoy celebrating the achievements of our students both inside and outside the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support of Lennon House. I look forward to celebrating many more successes as the year progresses.

*Written by: Mr J Hooper, Senior Tutor – Lennon House*

## WINSTON

Well, time has flown this year!

With the academic year coming to an end, it is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the growth, learning, and successes that have made this year so memorable.

Students have continued to distinguish themselves through their contributions within school and the wider community, participating in initiatives including the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, the Meridian Trust Science Fair, and a variety of sporting competitions and achievements.

Maxim (W-HMC) has continued to play a vital role in the POSH Under-18 team and we look forward to seeing what he achieves with them after Year 11 as he has been offered a two year apprenticeship in Sporting Excellence at Peterborough United Football Club.

This summer term has seen Eddie (W-LHI) succeed in the national futsal cup.

This term, we welcomed our new team of House Captains: Gabriele, Kayla, Maddie, Freddie, Nox and David (Year 12). I'm excited to collaborate with them more closely to enhance the Winston student experience.

This term we have celebrated some glowing reports and have held celebration breakfasts for Years 7 and 10 so far.

Our Year 10 students made a huge success of their week of work experience. We received outstanding feedback from the digital forensic unit regarding Louie (W-HMC). Well done, Louie!

As we come to the end of the summer term, we will mark the occasion with a range of special events, including our KHA Festival. These celebrations provide a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge and reward the students who have demonstrated exceptional commitment, positive behaviour, and dedication throughout the year.

Congratulations to all Winston students on their many accomplishments this year. Their achievements are a testament not only to their hard work and determination but also to the steadfast support and guidance provided by their form tutors.

Our Year 11 students have approached their GCSE examinations with maturity, resilience, and determination. They have worked incredibly hard and should be immensely proud of everything they have accomplished. Their efforts have certainly earned them a well-deserved summer break.

As they move on to the next stage of their educational journey, I wish them every success and look forward to welcoming many of them back to the Sixth Form in September.

Finally, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all Winston students and their families for their continued encouragement and support throughout the year. I hope you all enjoy a restful, enjoyable, and safe summer holiday.

*Written by: Miss Mitchell, Senior Tutor – Winston House*

## KING

We have had yet another successful term in King House and we are all very much looking forward to all of the wonderful activities lined up during this half term. I am delighted to announce that Mrs B has given birth to a beautiful little boy, her family will now enjoy this time together before her return to school later on in the next academic year.

On behalf of all of the staff in King House we'd like to say a huge 'well done' to all Year 11 and Year 13 students for the fantastic effort they have put into their final summer exams. They have navigated their way through what is an exceptionally stressful few weeks with such resilience and determination- we are proud of each and every one of you!

Our Year 7s continue to lead the way, bringing the most House points to our overall score, continuing to show value to our school. Well done to everyone who has contributed so positively- remember House points contribute towards activities such as KHA day.

Well done to Mr Bruce's form (K-JBR) who are the most recent House Winners of the 'Best Attendance' in King with a brilliant 95.69%. As a school we are constantly striving to keep above 96% to ensure that our students get the most out of every single lesson and ultimately leave with the best life chances. We ask that parents continue to contact school with specific reasons for illness and work with us to help students with their attendance, statistically students with higher attendance in school, make more progress.

Well done to Nicole J (K-HNA) who was awarded a Principal's Award for last half term for consistently exceeding expectations in English and going above and beyond with her revision notes and performance in all lessons. Congratulations also goes to David F (K-JBR) who also received a Principal's Award for his exceptional effort and consistently high scores for both Maths and Further Maths. Well done to both of these students who continue to strive for excellence and make King House proud.

In addition, a special well done goes to the following King House students for being nominated as leaders within the school. Alfie D has been selected as one of the Head Students- what a fantastic achievement and thoroughly deserved. Annie A, Madison C, Andris K and Elise M were all selected as House Captains- well done! This is a great achievement and one that will look fantastic on your CV when you leave school.

We love to hear about all our students' achievements, hidden talents, and special moments in and outside of school. Please send us any information and pictures for us to celebrate and congratulate our students on. Recently, Lewis L won the East Anglia League 1500m in Cambridge. Lewis competed against under 18's and senior men and his time of 4 minutes and 3 seconds currently ranks him 6th in the UK in his age group. What an incredible achievement, well done Lewis!

There is lots to look forward to in what is the last half term of this academic year so keep an eye out for all of the important information regarding KHA day, Sports Day, Year 11 and Year 13 Prom and leavers days.

Congratulations to all King students for another successful half term and I look forward to celebrating everyone's achievements in our end of year celebration assembly in July. I hope that everyone has a wonderful summer break when it comes and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful parents as well as the students for what has been yet another great year. As ever, we appreciate all of your support and everyone in King House looks forward to working alongside you again next year!

The final word has to go to our Year 11 and 13 students- 'Don't cry because it's over, Smile because it happened'. We wish you all the best for whatever comes next!

*Written by: Miss Thomas, Senior Tutor – King House*

## BRUNEL

Brunel House continues to be as fantastic as ever, and we are incredibly proud of the many students who shine day in, day out. As always, we took the opportunity during assembly to celebrate some of our outstanding students. At the time of writing, I would like to publicly congratulate the following students for achieving the highest number of achievement points in their forms:

- B-AKE – Safiyah
- B-ASP – Lillie
- B-DBU – Raincheska
- B-LMA – Eleanor
- B-LSH – Laila
- B-NSA – Millie
- B-PFO – Melanija
- B-PRI – Elianah Rae
- B-SFR – Zac
- B-SRO – Daniel

Our Year 11 students are now fully immersed in their exam period, and I would like to take this opportunity to commend them for the mature and positive way they have conducted themselves throughout. They have approached this challenging time with resilience and determination, and they should be extremely proud of all they have achieved so far.

A huge thank you must also go to the fantastic Brunel tutor team and our wonderful SSA, Mrs Webb. The unwavering support, care and guidance they provide our students each day does not go unnoticed, and I know our students would agree that they are incredibly lucky to have such a dedicated team around them.

I would also like to extend a special thank you to Mrs Risby, who has been an outstanding tutor within Brunel over the past few years. As she leaves Nene Park Academy at the end of this academic year, she will be greatly missed by both students and staff alike.

Finally, by the time this is published, I will have begun my maternity leave. I know Brunel House will continue to thrive and that our students are in excellent hands. I look forward to hearing about all the wonderful things everyone achieves over the coming year, and I cannot wait to see how much the students have grown when I return in the summer term of 2027.

*Written by: Miss Gleeson, Senior Tutor – Brunel House*

## ROWLING

In Rowling House, we are incredibly proud of the achievements of our students. While school life can often bring challenges and expectations, it is equally important to celebrate the remarkable successes our students achieve beyond the classroom. Many of our students dedicate countless hours to pursuing their passions in football, swimming, gymnastics, dance, musical theatre, and many other activities within the local community.

We are delighted to celebrate some recent sporting successes. A huge congratulations goes to Cameron in Year 11, who won the National Futsal Championship last weekend as part of the City of Peterborough Futsal Club. This is an outstanding achievement and a testament to his hard work, commitment, and talent. Cameron has also performed well in his GCSE PE practical assessments this summer, making this an especially successful year for him.

Another student deserving special recognition is Oliver in Year 9. Having only recently joined Peterborough Athletics Club, Oliver has quickly developed a passion for sprinting and has already achieved some fantastic results. In April, he competed in the East Anglian League event in Cambridge, taking part in his first competitive meet. Showing great confidence and determination against athletes from across the region, Oliver matched his personal best in the 100m with a time of 13.1 seconds. Even more impressively, he secured 3rd place overall in the 200m with an excellent time of 26.54 seconds. We look forward to seeing what he achieves next.

Congratulations and well done to all of our students who continue to demonstrate dedication, resilience, and ambition through their extracurricular activities. Your commitment and willingness to challenge yourselves is inspiring and make us extremely proud.

We have also seen fantastic contributions from Rowling students in this year's Super League competition. A special mention goes to the students currently leading their year groups for Achievement House Points: Year 7 – Kasper (1075), Year 8 – Jamie (1230), Year 9 – James (718), Year 10 – Jeevan (820), Year 11 – Declan (792). These students are setting a wonderful example for others by consistently making positive choices and contributing positively to school life. Their efforts have rightly been recognised and celebrated.

During our celebration assemblies this year, we have been thrilled to reward over 180 Rowling students with certificates, sweet prizes, skip-the-queue passes, and Amazon vouchers. It has been fantastic to see so many students recognised for their achievements, effort, and positive contributions. Keep up the excellent work—your dedication will be celebrated once again at our End of Year Rewards Assembly in July.

Finally, I would like to send a special message to our Year 11 students, who have now completed their journey at NPA after five successful years. You should all be incredibly proud of what you have achieved. Thank you for your hard work, perseverance, and contribution to our school community. We wish you every success and happiness in the next stage of your education, training, or career. Believe in yourselves, continue to aim high, and never stop striving to be the very best version of yourselves.

Thank you all.

*Written by: Mr Ogden, Senior Tutor – Rowling House*

## NIGHTINGALE

A warm welcome again from Nightingale House. It is hard to believe we are nearly at the end of another successful year. We still have a few events to look forward to over the coming weeks, where we can celebrate the achievements of our students. We have the KHA Festival to reward students for their hard work throughout the year, we have a Sports Day which will allow students to all contribute in their PE lessons to our House total.

It is also with a sense of pride and sadness that we will very soon be saying goodbye to our Class of 2026 in both Year 11 and Year 13. They are coming to the end of their final exams, and we have our collective fingers crossed that they have done as well as they possibly can.

Alongside this, students continue to show they are consistently making excellent choices and demonstrating the values we know are so important at Nene Park Academy. This is reflected in the number of students that have already met and surpassed the House Point milestones:

- Bronze Merit Award (150HP) = 221 students
- Silver Merit (300HP) = 170 students
- Gold Merit (500HP) = 80 students

Please can we ask as a team that you keep us informed of any achievements your child is involved in outside of school. These can be sporting, musical, charity, volunteering, arts-based or involvement in community activities and can be recognised through our PLEDGES awards and the 41, 61 and 81 Things to do activities.

We are incredibly proud to celebrate one of our students, John, following an outstanding cycling performance at the Lincoln 100 GP this weekend.

John completed the full 100-mile route in an impressive 6 hours and 30 minutes — a remarkable achievement on what is recognised as a very challenging course. John demonstrated confidence and determination throughout the ride, tackling difficult climbs with composure and finishing strongly on the iconic St Michael's Gate cobble climb in Lincoln.

What makes this achievement especially meaningful is the progress John has made over the past year. In 2025, John completed 70 miles and reached the top of the cobbles; this year, he completed the full 100 miles, looking stronger and more confident in his approach.

We are delighted to see John thriving and developing both in confidence and performance, and we look forward to supporting him as he continues his journey. Please join us in congratulating John on this brilliant achievement!

We would like to say, once again, a huge thank you to all of you: students, parents, carers and wider family members who have helped to support us in the past year and over the coming year.

**PLEASE SEND US ANY PHOTOS OF ACHIEVEMENTS, HIDDEN TALENTS AND SPECIAL MOMENTS THAT WE CAN USE TO CELEBRATE ON OUR RETURN IN SEPTEMBER.**

You can contact the House Team via Edulink or:  
Email to: [npalmer@neneparkacademy.org](mailto:npalmer@neneparkacademy.org) or [ncloutman@neneparkacademy.org](mailto:ncloutman@neneparkacademy.org)

*Written by: Mr Palmer, Senior Tutor – Nightingale House*

# 10 Hours of Sport

On Friday 1st May, Nene Park Academy ran a 10 Hours of Sport Event to raise money for The Malcolm Whales Foundation.

Students participated in a fun sports quiz during Tutor time and then students signed up to participate in activities in the Sports Hall with our partners at Peterborough United dome where coaches and teachers lead the sporting activities.

We raised £985 and collectively across the Trust and in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough £21,750.



Year 11

# Good Luck Assembly



On Friday 1st May, Year 11 received messages from teachers, tutors, staff, parents and carers wishing them luck for their upcoming exams. A truly brilliant memory and we wished them all the very best for their exams this summer.





# THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD



**The students had a very successful practice session over the May Bank Holiday weekend. They safely navigated Bonsall to Birchover, set up camp and finished the day with some sports and marshmallows!!**

All groups remained resilient in both the heat and rain over the three days, showing determination and fine tuning their navigational skills ready for their assessed expedition in July this year.

A huge thank you to all the staff who made this possible, giving up their own time to do so.





# Year 12 visit to Anglia Ruskin University Peterborough

Year 12 Health & Social Care and PE & Sports Students and staff had the privilege of visiting ARU Peterborough.

One of their tasks was to complete protein testing via plate based colorimetric assay. This is a method used in the treatment monitoring of diseases involving the liver, kidneys and bone marrow.

They also completed a session navigating through a number of tasks whilst wearing goggles which simulate varying degrees of visual impairment. Students also came up with an action plan on how they would make the city centre more accessible for people with a visual impairment.

PE students also took part in reaction testing with the Blazepods.

Thank you so much to ARU Peterborough for hosting such a rewarding event.





## PE Danceathon

Students participating in our PE Danceathon in support of Comic Relief. Thank you to everyone that supported all the activities in school we raised over £400!



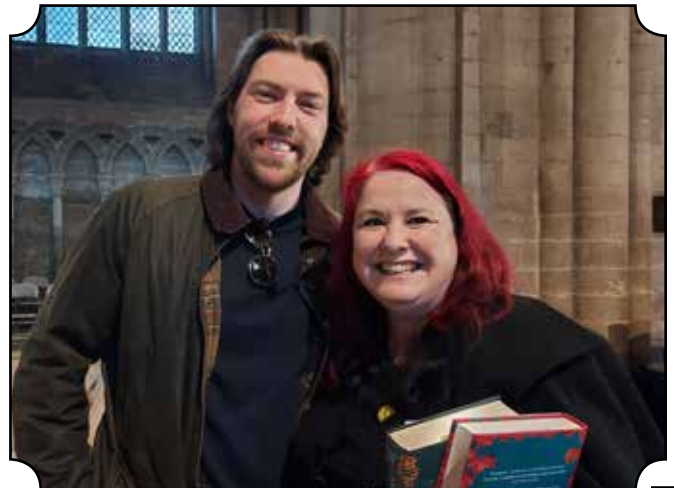
## Miss Johnson meets TV Historian during visit to Peterborough Cathedral

On 20th April, Tracy Borman, TV historian and Historic Royal Palaces Chief Historian, came to Peterborough Cathedral to discuss her new book, "The House of Boleyn." It must have taken some courage to discuss the Boleyn family in Peterborough Cathedral, which is famous for being the burial place of Katherine of Aragon, who was displaced as the wife of Henry VIII by Anne Boleyn!

In the audience were three members of NPA's history dept, Miss Johnson, Miss Walker and Miss Cornell, all eager to increase their historical knowledge, and to meet a famous

historian. Also present in the audience was Jackson van Uden, upcoming historian (you might have caught him on Channel 5's "Royal Births, Marriages and Deaths" earlier this year), one of the key people behind the annual Katherine of Aragon festival and former NPA history student.

The talk, which focused on the Boleyn family's relationship with Hever Castle in Kent, offered new insights into the life of Anne Boleyn, her family, and their rise and fall in the Tudor court. As always, Miss Johnson was very pleased to get another photograph of herself and a famous historian for her classroom wall.





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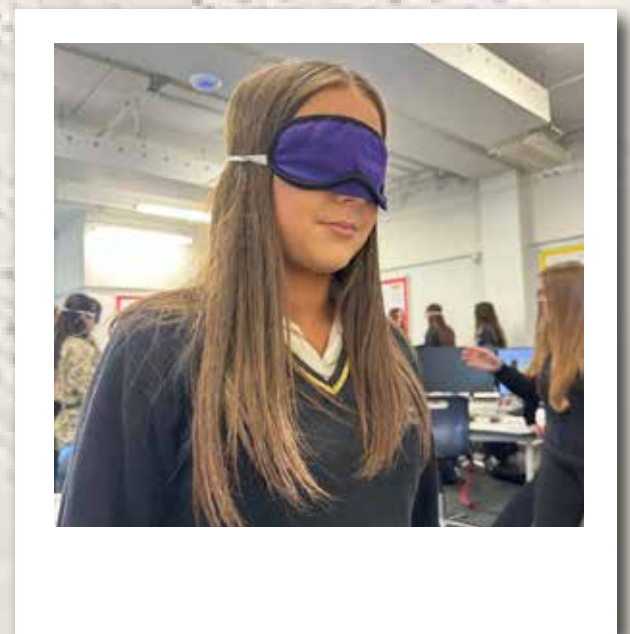
We are proud to be working alongside AMSP to support and challenge our high attaining maths students, pushing boundaries and taking their learning to the next level.

Our Year 10 students took part in an exciting event at Kingsgate, joining other schools from across the area. It was a fantastic opportunity to collaborate,

think deeply and see how maths applies beyond the classroom.

Through experiences like this, students explore real-world applications and discover the many pathways maths can open up, from further study to future careers.





## Health & Social Care Students

**Students learnt about Sensory Barriers and how these can impact everyday life.**

They took part in a blindfold task to appreciate and understand the difficulties of living with visual impairment.

Students had to direct one another with verbal communication from a start to end point safely. They also discussed the support and services available to those with a sensory impairment.

Year 9 gained a very real experience of sensory impairment that developed their empathy and appreciation of other people's barriers in life.



# CCF @ NPA Combined Cadet Force

## CCF RECRUIT CAMP - APRIL 2026

### Eleanor K - Year 8

I was nervous at first as I knew that the camp was going to put me out of my comfort zone however I found everything fun along with learning new skills. We tried rations, practiced night and day movements, and learnt how to do a section attack. Overall, it was a great experience which I would be happy to do again.

### Madlen T - Year 8

On the 18th & 19th of April 2026 I attended the Cadet Recruit Camp in Yaxley. I stayed outside for 30 hours and lived in the field as a real soldier would have done. We did lots of fun, exciting things including: making our own food and eating out of a ration pack, listening to music around a fire, building our own bashers, and being with our friends the whole time. I really loved the whole weekend, I had such a good adventure and made so many amazing memories.



## STUDENTS APPOINTMENTS ARE NOW OPEN !

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# PE & SPORT AT NPA

It has been great to see the continued fantastic engagement in all things PE and sport over the past term. Please read on for some highlights -



## Oliver Shines at County Athletics

A huge congratulations to Oliver, who has been in outstanding form at recent county athletics meets. His performances have been nothing short of impressive, showcasing both his talent and hard work on the track.

Oliver excelled across multiple events, earning a place in the highly competitive 100m final. Demonstrating determination and speed, he then went on to achieve an exceptional result in the 200m final, where he secured a silver medal.

Adding to his success, Oliver recorded a fantastic new personal best of 24.59 seconds in the 200m — a remarkable achievement and a testament to his dedication and commitment to training.

This is a brilliant accomplishment, and everyone is incredibly proud of Oliver's achievements. We look forward to seeing what he can achieve next as he continues to develop and compete at a high level.



## Spotlight on Student Achievements

### NPA Students Selected to Represent District at County Athletics

Nene Park Academy is proud to celebrate the outstanding achievement of several of its students, who have earned the honour of representing Peterborough at the upcoming County Athletics event this June.

Following impressive performances and consistent dedication to their sport, Rhys P-R, George R, Oliver N, and Lewis L have all successfully qualified to compete on the county stage. This is a fantastic accomplishment and a testament to their hard work, resilience, and commitment to athletics.

Representing the district at county level is a significant milestone, providing these students with the opportunity to compete against some of the best young athletes in the region. It also reflects the strength of athletics within the academy and the positive culture of participation and excellence supported by both staff and peers.

The entire NPA community is incredibly proud of their success so far and looks forward to seeing them compete at the next level. We wish Rhys, George, Oliver, and Lewis the very best of luck as they prepare to take on this exciting challenge.



## NPA Sport Achieves Gold School Games Mark

Nene Park Academy is delighted to announce that it has been awarded the prestigious Gold School Games Mark in May, recognising the school's outstanding commitment to sport and physical activity.

The School Games Mark is a nationally recognised award that celebrates schools demonstrating excellence in providing inclusive sporting opportunities for all students. Achieving Gold status highlights NPA's dedication to encouraging participation, developing talent, and promoting the values of teamwork, resilience, and fair play across the academy.

This achievement is a testament to the hard work of both staff and students, who continue to contribute to a thriving sporting culture. From competitive fixtures to enrichment clubs and inter-house events, NPA Sport continues to provide a wide range of opportunities that allow every student to get involved and succeed.

The PE department have played a key role in driving the sporting provision forward, ensuring high levels of engagement and creating pathways for students to excel both within school and beyond.

The academy is extremely proud of this accomplishment and remains committed to building on this success in the future.



## NPA Celebrates First Anniversary of Fitness Suite with Team GB Visit

We marked a significant milestone this term as we celebrated the first anniversary of our state-of-the-art gym and performance centre with a special visit from Team GB athlete and Paris Olympic silver medallist, Caden Cunningham.



The event formed part of a wider celebration alongside Absolute Performance, the school's trusted partners who supported the installation of the facility one year ago. Since opening, the gym has become a central hub for student fitness, athletic development, and wider engagement in physical activity across the school community.

Students were given a unique opportunity to hear directly from an elite athlete during a

whole-school assembly, where Caden shared insights into his Olympic journey. Reflecting on his pathway to success, he spoke about the importance of dedication, resilience, and the role that school sport played in shaping his early development. His message resonated strongly with students, inspiring many to reflect on their own sporting ambitions and personal goals.

Following the assembly, students took part in an exclusive athlete workshop in the performance centre. During this hands-on session, Caden demonstrated a range of strength and conditioning exercises that form part of his training programme in preparation for international competition. Students were able to observe and engage with professional-level training methods, gaining a valuable understanding of the physical preparation required to perform at the highest level.

The visit highlighted the impact of the school's investment in sport and physical education, reinforcing its commitment to providing high-quality opportunities for all students. The partnership with Absolute Performance has played a key role in this success, helping to create a facility that supports both curriculum delivery and

extracurricular excellence.

NPA would like to extend its sincere thanks to Caden Cunningham for taking the time to visit, share his experiences, and inspire the next generation of athletes. The school also expresses its continued gratitude to Absolute Performance for their ongoing support and contribution to the development of its outstanding facilities.

As the gym enters its second year, we look forward to building on this momentum and continuing to provide students with experiences that motivate, challenge, and inspire them to achieve their best.



## PE Department thank examination students for their commitment

Following the completion of the 2025–26 PE and Sport examinations, the PE Department at NPA would like to extend a sincere thank you to all students for their effort, resilience, and commitment throughout their courses.

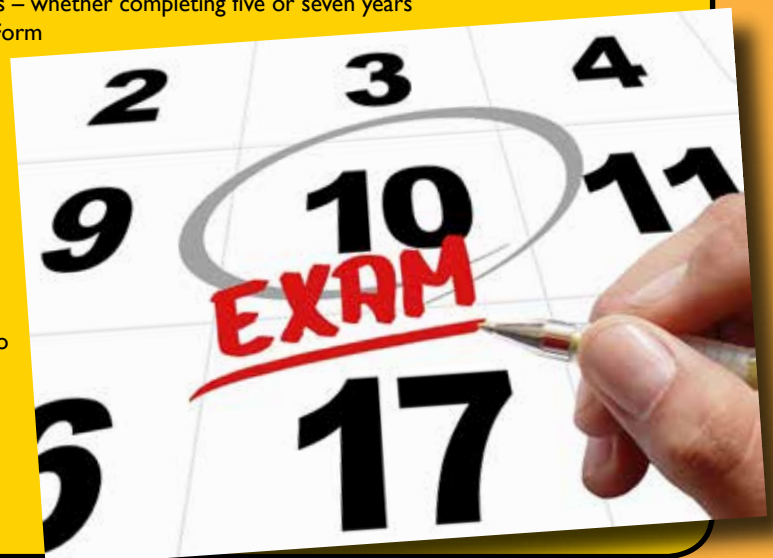
It has been a privilege to support students across a range of journeys – whether completing five or seven years within the department, or those who joined more recently in Sixth Form and fully embraced what it means to be part of NPA Sport. Each student has contributed to a culture of hard work, enthusiasm, and dedication, and the department is incredibly proud of all that has been achieved.

Throughout their time studying PE and Sport, students have demonstrated not only academic commitment, but also a genuine passion for physical activity, performance, and personal development. Their willingness to engage, improve, and take on challenges has made teaching them a truly rewarding experience for all staff.

As this cohort now awaits their results, the department would like to wish every student the very best of luck this summer.

Whatever the outcome, they should take great pride in the commitment and effort they have shown throughout their studies.

The PE Department thanks you once again – you have all been outstanding, and it has been a pleasure to share our passion for sport with you.



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# CAREERS



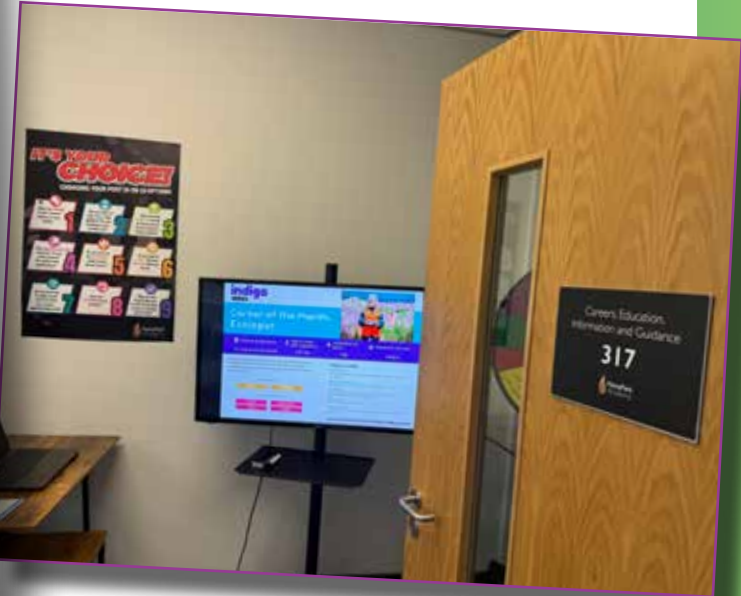
## CAREERS CO-ORDINATOR

It is a pleasure to introduce Miss Warne, as Nene Park Academy's new Careers Co-ordinator. Miss Warne is passionate about supporting students and is here as your dedicated point of contact for careers information, advice and guidance, helping students explore their future pathways with confidence.

We are excited to share that on 15th July, we will be hosting a Careers Fair for students in Years 8, 10 and 12. This event will bring together a wide range of colleges, universities and businesses, offering a fantastic opportunity to speak with professionals, ask questions and explore the many options available after school.

If you're not sure where to find Miss Warne, the Careers Office is located on the top floor (Lennon), in Room 317. It's a welcoming space where you can explore your ideas, ask questions and start conversations about your future.

Miss Warne looks forward to meeting you all and being part of your careers and progression journey.





## 2025-26 Football & Education Programme Awards Evening



# SIXTH FORM NEWS

## Sixth Form Update



### Congratulations to the new Head Students

The Sixth Form Team would like to congratulate Aleksas, Aabis and Alfie on being awarded the roles of Head Students for the next academic year. They will be working alongside the School Council as well as leading a pillar of excellence.

Alfie - Personal Growth

Aabis - Leadership and Service

Aleksas - Academic Achievement

We would also like to extend our congratulations to the following students who have all been allocated Leadership roles within the academy and wish them the best of luck as they take on these opportunities.

### Charities Leaders

- Kayla • Holly • Amelia • Kairah • Carys • Mia
- Zach • Jan • Freddie • Charlie • Ly'Kyri • Julia

### T&L Leaders

- David • Sarah • Gabriela • Layla • Niamh

### Equality and Diversity Leaders

- Isabelle

### House Captains

- Nana • Lola • Lasali • Annie • Madison
- Andris • Elise • Ruby • Antonina • Zadie
- Evie • Mary • Gabriele • Kayla • Madeleine
- Freddie • Nox • David

**Academic Achievement**

- Excellent Outcomes
- High Quality Teaching Expertise
- Excellent Learning Resources
- Pathways to Leading Universities, Apprenticeships and Employers
- Online Learning Platforms
- Extensive Learning Outside the Classroom to Embed Learning
- World Class Schools

**Personal Growth**

- Oxbridge and Russell Group University Applicant Programme
- High Quality Careers & UCAS Guidance
- Extensive Super-Curricular Activities, Events and Visits
- University Trips & Career Days
- High Quality Personal Development Curriculum
- Sixth Form IDEAS
- GATSBY

**Leadership & Service**

- Academy Representative Houses
- Student Leadership Membership
- Student Societies, Clubs and Teams
- Community Volunteering
- Academic Mentoring of Younger Students
- Duke of Edinburgh Accreditation
- Good Educators

## LOCAL ELECTIONS

Emma A volunteered at the recent local council elections, helping with the count. Emma is planning on studying politics next year at University and is committed to supporting politics in Peterborough.



As part of the final Year 13 careers support, we welcomed the Youth Hub to NPA. They work as part of the Peterborough United Foundation and aim to work with young people to support with securing post-18 destinations. Sessions included 'first impressions', CV and application writing and student being given advice and guidance on how to secure a destination upon leaving school. Thank you to the Youth Hub and we will be continuing the connection in

the new academic year for current Year 12 students.

Edwina was one of the Sixth Form students who was nominated for her beautiful work after her excellent makeup creation for her Level 3 Beauty examination. She demonstrated fantastic design and realisation, with wonderful attention to detail.



Year 12 Science Leaders helped lead a Year 10 revision session ahead of the mock series. They showed excellent teamwork, leadership and

dedication as well as being role models within their subject area. Well done to everyone involved.

## POSH TEAMS



This year, the Girls Peterborough United Foundation's Football and Education Programme- CEFA Small Sided League Champions. Well Done to all girls who have played in the team across the season.

To end the season on a high, the boys all had the opportunity to play at the Western Homes stadium for the final two fixtures of the season. Students from Year 12 and lower school got the opportunity to attend the match to support the boys, who all thrived and enjoyed the experience of a match day.



Friday 5th June saw the annual FEP Scholarship awards evening at the Western Homes Ground where NPA Academy staff and students celebrated the years achievements.

