

WITH ALL THE LATEST FROM MOOR PARK

**MOOR  
PARK  
NEWS**

SPRING 2018

**mp**

# THE HEADLINE



Welcome to the Spring edition of Moor News. It has been a short but action-packed term and our students continue to enjoy a wide variety of opportunities. We have really been promoting STEM based activities and visits this term, in the knowledge that for many of our young people this is where their futures lie. We now work regularly with local universities to offer our young people fantastic experiences.

In this edition you get a real flavour of the school environment, both in the beautiful pictures of Moor Park and in the news of our award winning internal environments. We are committed to offering the very best environment for our young people, to express our commitment to them and to display proudly, 'Excellence for All'.

I hope that you enjoy this edition.

Headteacher: **Mr B Corbett**



# 02



# 03

# 04

## INSPIRE THE HOUSE COMMUNITY AWARD

WE ARE INCREDIBLY PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT TWO OF OUR STUDENTS, ELLIE GIFFORD AND HALLE ASHWORTH, RECENTLY ATTENDED THE 'KIDS COUNT INSPIRATION AWARDS' AT THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, WESTMINSTER IN LONDON.

Ellie and Halle were invited to the awards as representatives for Callon Kids Club who were nominated for this award for their ongoing work in the community by Mark Hendrick, MP for Preston.

Callon Kids Club received 'Highly Commended' in the Inspire the House Community Award category.

This is a tremendous achievement and the school is very proud of Halle and Ellie.



## SCHOOL GAMES MARK BRONZE AWARD

MOOR PARK'S EXCELLENCE IN SPORTS PROVISION HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WITH THE AWARDING OF THE SCHOOL GAMES MARK BRONZE AWARD TO THE SCHOOL.

School Games Mark is a government led award scheme which rewards schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community.

Participating in this process has allowed Moor Park to evaluate PE provision and has assisted the development of both participation and competition opportunities. The Bronze Award means that we have achieved specific targets focused on the sporting opportunities we provide for our students.

Plans are already underway to ensure that progress is made, and that we aspire to achieve the Sports Games Mark Silver Award at the end of the current academic year.



# NEW MULTI USE GAMES AREA (MUGA)

MOOR PARK NOW HAS A BRAND NEW MULTI USE GAMES AREA (MUGA). IT SERVES AS A WONDERFUL COMPLEMENT TO THE SPORTS HALL AND IS PROVING EXTREMELY POPULAR WITH BOTH PUPILS AND STAFF.

# 05



# CAREERS ROADSHOW

IN JANUARY THE SCHOOL WELCOMED OVER TWENTY UNIVERSITIES AND APPRENTICESHIP PROVIDERS FROM THE NORTH WEST FOR THE ANNUAL MOOR PARK CAREERS FAIR.

Lancaster University, Jones Dental Practice, The Royal Air Force and The Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service were amongst the attendees who informed students from all year groups about the different career options available. The Careers Fair was a success, with students better equipped to pursue their career aspirations.





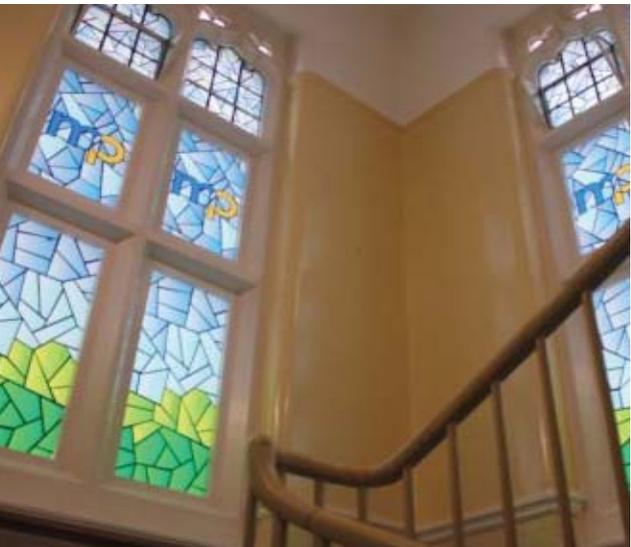
# 08 AWARD WINNING ARTWORK

**'SIGNS EXPRESS', THE COMPANY THAT PRODUCED THE SCHOOL'S STRIKING NEW WALL DISPLAYS, RECENTLY WON NATIONAL RECOGNITION AT A SIGNAGE INDUSTRY AWARDS CEREMONY.**

The Designs and Artwork were produced by CDM (C D Marketing Ltd), printed/manufactured and installed by Signs Express.

The award was for - 'Most Striking Design or Sign' for the work at Moor Park.

Everyone at the school would like to offer their congratulations to Clare Danz, Managing Director of CDM and the Team at 'Signs Express'.



# MOCK TRIAL



**EDUCATION CHARITY 'YOUNG CITIZENS' VISITED THE SIXTH FORM RECENTLY TO STAGE A MOCK TRIAL COMPETITION.**



Our Law students had the opportunity to don wig and gown and pit their legal minds against each other as they prosecuted and defended in a mock law case.

This was a fantastic experience for the students who gained a brief taste of life practising the law.



# 09

# STUDENT FOCUS



**ALISHA COX**

**Tell us a little about yourself.**

My name is Alisha and I'm in Year 8. My favourite hobbies are singing and dancing. At school my favourite lesson is PE.

**Why did you choose to come to Moor Park?**

I visited Moor Park when I was in Year 6 at primary school and really liked it.

**What do you think of the school?**

I really like the school. All my teachers are nice and I enjoy being here with my friends.

**How did you feel on your first day at Moor Park?**

I felt scared on my first day as well as being excited. I think everyone else felt the same way.

**What enrichment activities are you involved in?**

I go to dance club, I sing in the choir and I have drum lessons.

**What are your plans for the future?**

I would like to be a vet or a dance teacher.

# SCIENCE TRIP TO UCLAN

**AT THE END OF THE AUTUMN TERM A GROUP OF YEAR 9 PUPILS WENT TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL LANCASHIRE TO TAKE PART IN A 'SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES NETWORK' EVENT. THE EVENT WAS CENTRED ON THE SCIENCE OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION.**



Pupils were set to work on solving a murder case using a variety of forensic science techniques, including analysing DNA samples.

The day provided a tremendous opportunity for our young scientists who thoroughly enjoyed the experience of working in hi-tech university laboratories.

# MUSIC COLLABORATION

IN DECEMBER MRS BROOK, THE FACULTY LEADER FOR EXPRESSIVE ARTS AT MOOR PARK, GAVE AN INTERVIEW TO "MUSICLAN" WHICH IS THE NEWS WEBSITE FOR THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL LANCASHIRE.



Mrs Brook was there to talk about the collaboration currently taking place between music students at UCLan and pupils at Moor Park.

As part of the collaboration, BA Music undergraduates have been performing lunchtime concerts at Moor Park as well as delivering presentations to

our BTEC Music pupils on a range of music related topics.

The collaboration is proving fruitful as our pupils are learning about university-level music studies, and the undergraduates are gaining experience of performing in front of audiences and delivering music lessons.



# CAROL SINGING

A GROUP OF HARDY CAROL SINGERS BRAVED THE FREEZING COLD WEATHER IN DECEMBER TO BRING SOME FESTIVE CHEER TO THE GOOD FOLK OF PRESTON AND RAISE MONEY FOR CHILDREN IN NEED.

The singers first went to the Deepdale Retail Park and then on to Preston Train Station.

All the Christmas classics were sung with gusto and good cheer. Well done to all the singers who raised over £100 for the fantastic charity.

# DANCE PERFORMANCE

STUDENTS FROM THE PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE PROGRAMME AT RUNSHAW COLLEGE CAME TO MOOR PARK IN DECEMBER AND JANUARY TO PERFORM DRAMA AND DANCE ROUTINES IN FRONT OF OUR PERFORMING ARTS PUPILS.

The routines were an accomplished display of assured dramatic technique and performative flare. The experience was enjoyed by both performers and audience alike.



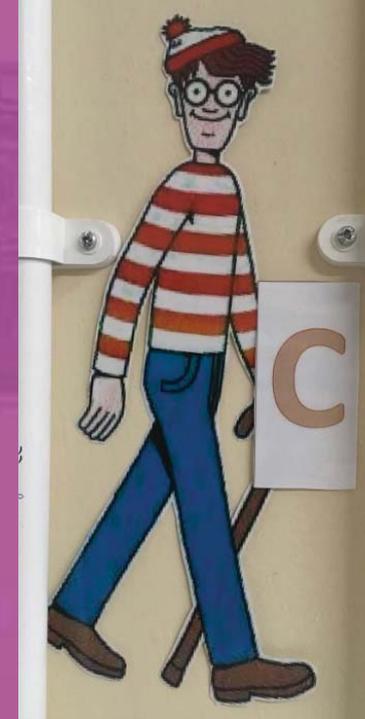
# 14 WORLD BOOK DAY

**1 MARCH WAS WORLD BOOK DAY AND AT MOOR PARK WE JOINED IN THE CELEBRATIONS.**

Competitions and activities were held throughout school, including a "Where's Wally" treasure hunt, guess the staff "shelfie", and one which required pupils to decorate their form classroom doors like the cover of a book.

The winner of the "dress the door" contest was Miss Baldi's 9P form whose winning door was transformed into the cover of "The Hunger Games" by Suzanne Collins.

Well done to everyone who joined in the book-themed fun.



# YEAR 7 GIRLS' FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

**IN NOVEMBER MOOR PARK'S UNDER-13 GIRLS' FOOTBALL TEAM REPRESENTED THE SCHOOL IN A COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE PRESTON NORTH END COMMUNITY EDUCATION TRUST.**

The girls made it through to the quarter finals, narrowly missing a place in the semi-finals.

Congratulations to the team.

# WINTER EXTRAVAGANZA

17

16



**THE AUTUMN TERM AT MOOR PARK WAS BROUGHT TO A CLOSE WITH OUR MAGNIFICENT WINTER EXTRAVAGANZA.**

Combining our usual Winter Fair and Winter Concert events, the Extravaganza opened with a selection of stalls selling seasonal fayre and was then followed by a concert with excellent performances from the school choir, drama group and guitar club.

The evening was a real winter treat for the packed audience. Congratulations to everyone involved.

18

# INTERFORM SPORT



END-OF-TERM INTERFORM SPORT IS ALWAYS A FAVOURITE EVENT WITH PUPILS AT MOOR PARK.

It is a chance for form groups to compete against each other at Zone Ball. Pictured here are triumphant pupils from 7H and 8M who came out on top in their respective year groups.



# UNITED UTILITIES VISIT

IN MARCH THE CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER OF UNITED UTILITIES VISITED MOOR PARK TO TALK TO YEAR 10 AND 11 PUPILS ABOUT CHOOSING A CAREER WITHIN THE STEM PROFESSIONS (SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHS).

Steve Fraser studied at the University of Central Lancashire, here in Preston, and is now responsible for the day-to-day running of the UK's largest listed water company.

Listening to a senior executive from such a prominent organisation was an invaluable experience for our pupils who are now aiming to achieve similarly great things.



19



# BOOK OF EXCELLENCE

BOOK OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS ARE PRESENTED TO THOSE PUPILS WHO DEMONSTRATE A HIGH STANDARD OF COMMITMENT AND APPLICATION IN THEIR WORK. THEY ARE VALUED HIGHLY BY PUPILS AND ARE CONSIDERED AN HONOUR TO RECEIVE.

Congratulations to pupils from 7H who were recently awarded Book of Excellence for their superb work in drama.

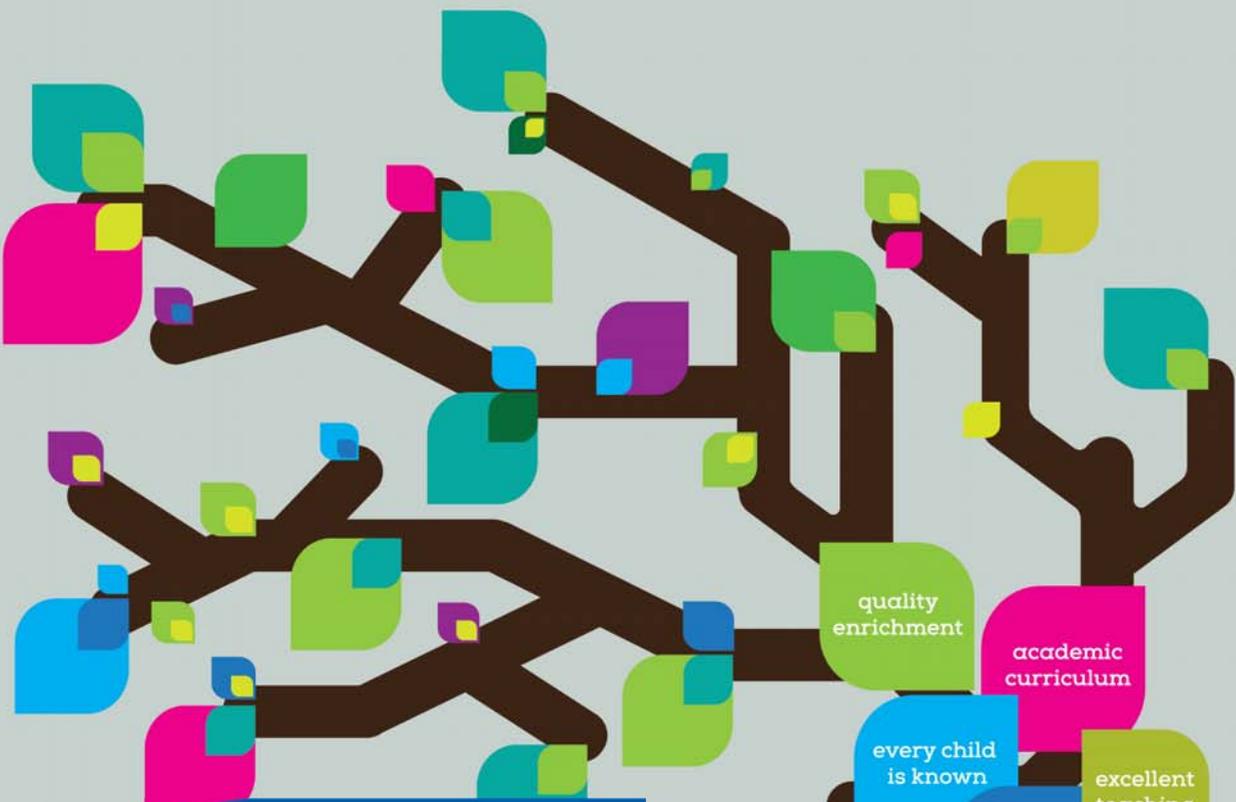
# DIARY DATES

# A WINTRY VISTA

**AS WE ALL ENGAGE IN THE DAY-TO-DAY 'BUSYNESS' OF SCHOOL LIFE, IT IS EASY TO OVERLOOK THE BEAUTY OF OUR SURROUNDINGS HERE AT MOOR PARK.**

However, when the so-called 'Beast from the East' struck Britain in March and laid a carpet of snow over Preston, our School Business Manager, Mrs Jowett, took the opportunity to photograph the late-winter scene from the school carpark.

The photograph captures the beauty of Moor Park, which is ever changing as the seasons progress, and shows how lucky we are to have it on our doorstep.



# DIARY DATES

9 APRIL	SUMMER TERM BEGINS
18 APRIL	YEAR 10 PARENTS EVENING
14 MAY	GCSE & A-LEVEL EXAMS BEGIN
28 MAY	HALF TERM
4 JULY	YEAR 7, 8 & 9 TUTOR CONSULTATIONS
10 JULY	SUMMER CONCERT
16 JULY	ENRICHMENT WEEK BEGINS
18 JULY	FULL GOVERNORS MEETING
20 JULY	END OF TERM

quality enrichment

academic curriculum

every child is known

excellent teaching

high expectations

exemplary behaviour

so that all students will be able to access higher education and participate fully in our democratic society



Please contact the school or see our website for more details

MOOR PARK AVENUE, PRESTON, LANCASHIRE PR1 6DT  
WWW.MOORPARK.MP  
01772 795428

