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# YEAR 10/11 DofE WALK

**On Friday 2nd May, our Year 10 and a small group of Year 11 students took part in their Duke of Edinburgh walk.**

The walk started on **Stainburn Moor** and ended in **RHS Harlow Carr Gardens**, with an overnight camp at **Timble**.

Students had to carry all of their food and camping equipment with them throughout the course of the walk, and navigate their own way to checkpoints to meet up with the Duke of Edinburgh assessor.

The sun was shining and the positivity was high on day one, as students looked forward to arriving at camp to set up their tents, cook their food for the evening and relax with their friends. There were lots of tired legs towards the end of the second day, but a great sense of achievement felt by all!



It was an incredible opportunity for the students to test their map reading skills, and also mastering the art of putting up a tent without losing poles!

**Well done to all involved!**

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# THE NOTICE BOARD



## WHAT'S COMING UP!

### MAY

#### Monday 12th

- Day in a Life - St James Primary School

#### Wednesday 14th - Friday 16th

- Year 8 Basecamp trip

#### Thursday 15th

- Day in a Life - Crossley Street Primary School

#### Monday 19th

- Day in a Life - St Josephs Primary School

#### Thursday 22nd

- Day in a Life - Thorner Primary School



Day In The Life



## LEEDS UNITED SOCCER SCHOOLS

### FOOTBALL CAMPS SCHOOL HOLIDAYS CALANDER

27<sup>TH</sup> MAY - 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY 25  
28<sup>TH</sup> JULY - 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 25

9AM-3PM  
£98 4 DAYS/ £29 1 DAY



FIND A VENUE NEAR YOU!!  
[CLICK HERE TO BOOK](#)

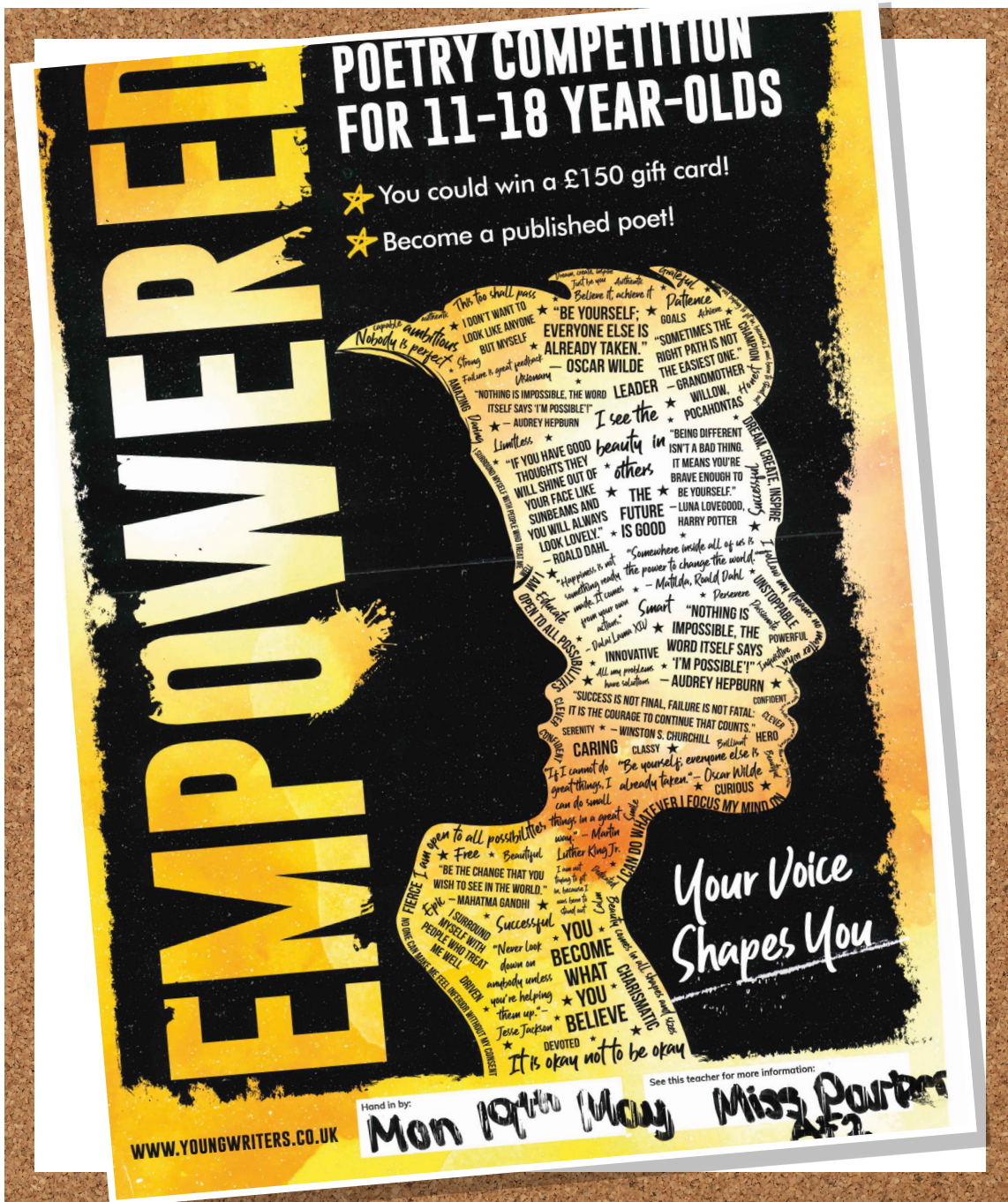
Email: [Soccer.Schools@leedsunited.com](mailto:Soccer.Schools@leedsunited.com)



Scan To Book!!!







CAREERS

## The Year 10 Taster Morning is now live and available to register for.

**Date:** Tuesday 1st July 2025

**Timings:** 9.30 am-11.30 am

(Important note: due to high demand, the Aviation workshop will also run an additional session from 1.30pm to 3.30pm)

## Are you in Year 10 and thinking about studying at Craven College from September 2026?

Join us for an exciting and interactive Taster Morning on Tuesday 1st July 2025!

Explore courses and careers in a subject of your choice through engaging demonstrations, hands-on activities, and insightful career guidance. Please note, you can register for only **one** workshop for this event.

## Workshop Highlights:

- **Demonstrations:** See the subject in action
- **Hands-on Activities:** Get practical experience
- **Career Insights:** Learn about potential career paths

To register for your workshop - **book here:**

<https://www.craven-college.ac.uk/event/taster-morning-yr-10/>







# Primary School Netball



On Thursday 1st May Deighton Gates, Crossley Street and St James' primary schools joined us for an afternoon of netball.



The first part of the session involved the groups moving around different stations in the sports hall to complete various netball challenges. The second half of the afternoon saw seven different teams competing in a tournament showcasing their netball skills.



The sports leaders did a fantastic job ensuring the Year 5 students had a wonderful afternoon, they were positive, helpful and demonstrated maturity when interacting with the children and primary staff.

As always, a huge well done to all the Year 10 sports leaders, as we look forward to our final event of the year - 'rounders' in June.

*Miss Clayden*



# Mocktail Making

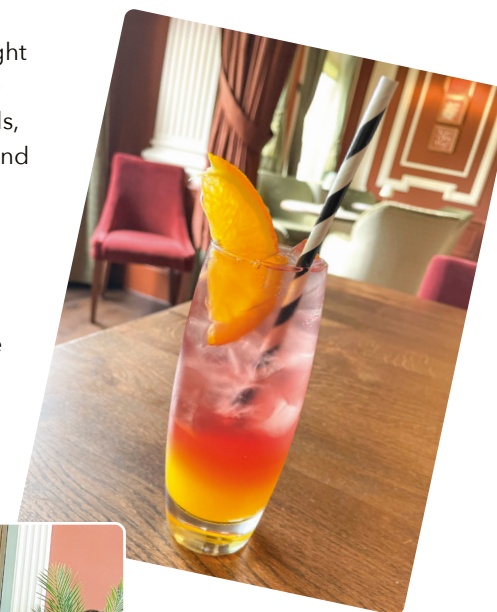


**It was a wonderful morning learning how to make mocktails at The Cedar Court Hotel.**

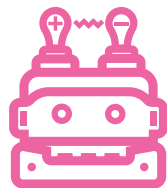


The bar manager taught students how to make four different mocktails, all brightly coloured and sweet.

Once they had made them, they were able to enjoy them, and their favourite was the Cranberry Spritz.







# Programming Robots

**Even though Mr Bradford and Mr Mysorekar are only a few weeks into their Endeavour session of building and programming Lego Robots, the students have hit the ground running.**

We've seen some early signs that great things could be in store for this enthusiastic group of students when they take their creations to a competition at **Leeds University** in July.

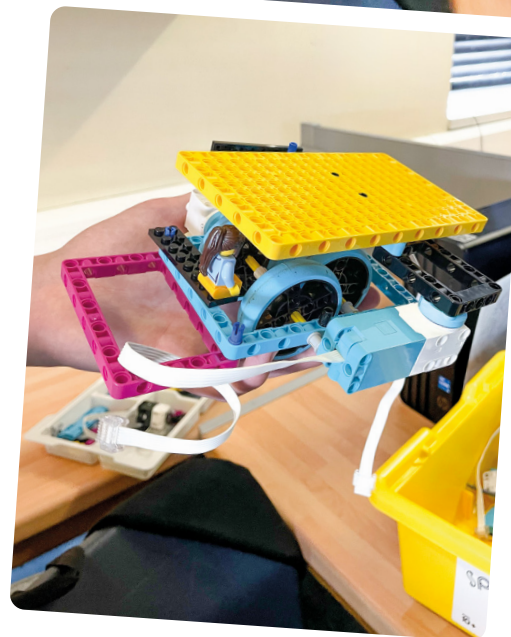
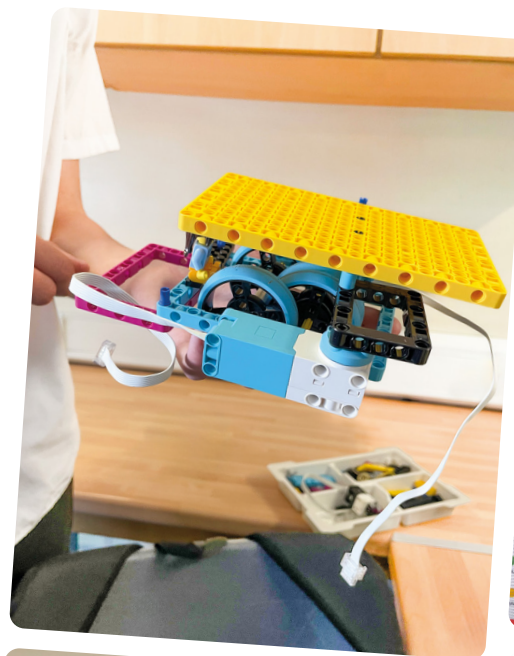


With some experienced Lego builders in the team, they have already created the base of a vehicle, with wheels and motors attached.

Alongside this, our proficient coders have begun to code the HUB (mini computer) that sits on the vehicle and enables it to not only move but change direction when the sensors detect an obstacle.

Stay tuned for updates on the team's progress.

*Mr Bradford*





# HOUSE POINTS

## TOP STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

RA	TO14	9
IM	RO17	9
WH	RO1	9
CB	RO16	9
CM	RO2	9
LE	BR4	8
AS	RO12	8
IF	BR2	8
MW-E	TO16	8
HU	TO17	8

## TOP COACHING GROUPS

TR13	302
RO17	287
RO3	281
RO7	271
TR12	254
TR2	252
TO9	246
BR5	226
TO12	214
RO1	213





## HOUSE POINT TOTALS

1ST	TRUEMAN	8457
2ND	ROBINSON	7276
3RD	BREMNER	6290
4TH	TOMLINSON	6055

## LAST WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS





**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**BE**



YEAR 11  
Exam focus.




**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**HC**



YEAR 9  
Classroom contributions.

**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**SC**



YEAR 8  
Inspired careers conversations.

**COMPUTER SUPERSTAR**

**AB**



YEAR 7  
Attitude to learning!

**DRAMA LEGEND**

**MT**

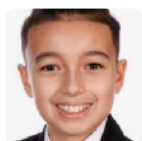

YEAR 7  
Fantastic contribution to drama lessons.

**DRAMA LEGEND**

**BH**

YEAR 11  
Fantastic practice for the written exam.

**DRAMA LEGEND**

**SN**

YEAR 7  
Excellent performing Shakespeare.




**LEGENDARY LINGUIST**

**TH**

YEAR 10  
Superb efforts in every French lesson.




**LEGENDARY LINGUIST**

**RA**


YEAR 7  
Great progress in French.




**EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH**

**LG**

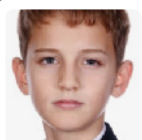

YEAR 11  
Relentless determination to make rapid progress in the last few weeks of Year 11. Grade 5 on last timed write.




**EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH**

**MH**

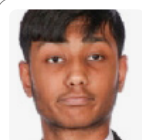

YEAR 9  
Brilliant new work ethic and motivation. Keep up the hard work!

**EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH**

**LK**



YEAR 8  
Wonderful engagement with our new text, Animal Farm. Prediction skills - sharp and accurate.

**EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH**

**MA**

YEAR 10  
Great work ethic, asking questions and applying feedback well!

**EXCELLENCE IN ENGLISH**

**AH**

YEAR 8  
Always willing to contribute and engaged in the new text, Animal Farm.



# Subject Nominations



**GEOGRAPHY  
GIANT**

**SB**

YEAR 9  
Really engaged and working hard in every geography lesson.



**GEOGRAPHY  
GIANT**

**KB**

YEAR 9  
Fantastic progress and motivation.



**HISTORY  
HERO**

**TG**

YEAR 9  
Consistently high effort and engagement. A great start to GCSE content this half-term.



**HISTORY  
HERO**

**BS**

YEAR 8  
For always being proactive and responsible with Online learning. Well done!



**GEOGRAPHY  
GIANT**

**KC**

YEAR 8  
Great verbal contributions in lessons.



**GEOGRAPHY  
GIANT**

**MT**

YEAR 8  
For working hard consistently every single lesson. Well done!



**HISTORY  
HERO**

**MG**

YEAR 8  
Brilliant motivation and resilience in our new topic.



**HISTORY  
HERO**

**CF**

YEAR 11  
Sustained dedication to class work and revision.



**GEOGRAPHY  
GIANT**

**LJ**

YEAR 9  
Excellent character for learning in lessons.



**GEOGRAPHY  
GIANT**

**AB**

YEAR 10  
For some excellent focus and progress during the rivers topic. Well done!



**HISTORY  
HERO**

**JL**

YEAR 10  
Fantastic online learning and application in assessments.



**TALENTED IN  
TECHNOLOGY**

**AB**

YEAR 7  
Always a dedicated designer.



# YEAR 11 LEEDS SCHOOLS CUP FINAL

**On Tuesday 6th May, the Year 11 footballers travelled to Leeds Beckett University to compete in the Leeds Schools Cup Final to play Temple Moor.**



WETHERBY	3
TEMPLE MOOR	0

Having been knocked out in the semi-final last year to Temple Moor, it was a great way for Wetherby to respond in the final.

Wetherby started well, maintaining possession of the ball and working tirelessly off it to win back possession. And within a few minutes they got the success they deserved when an exceptional AJ latched onto a pass from JH and fired passed the goalkeeper giving Wetherby a 1-0 lead.

Wetherby continued to progress as the half went on and had more chances to extend their lead. The football the team played was excellent and from front to back each individual did their job. JH scored Wetherby's second after some excellent build up play by AB rounding off a great counter attack.

M, T and AS held strong throughout the game limiting Temple Moor to many chances. When they did breach the defence, the player of the match, LW was there to stop any attempt at a goal. His two well-timed tackles prevented Temple Moor having shots on target in the first half.

Mr Jeffrey made changes throughout the game, but these didn't halt Wetherby. The impressive GP anchored the midfield with S and BE. SK and KS offered pace and power out wide creating goal scoring opportunities for the team, with JS offering a calmness and experience at the back.

Wetherby went 3-0 up 10 minutes into the final and effects have the game wrapped up. AB again made the assist for JH to fire passed a helpless Temple Moor keeper, scoring his second of the evening.

NB's calmness and handling helped Wetherby control the game and in the final few minutes, he and AS combined to stop Temple Moor scoring with a dangerous attack.

Wetherby deservedly won the game 3-0 and an excellent team performance saw the Year 11 group play their last game for school and end on a high, being crowned **Leeds School Cup Winners**.







Source: [www.bbc.co.uk/newsround](http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround)

## VE Day: What is it, when is it and why do we remember?

**VE Day - or Victory in Europe Day - marks the day towards the end of World War Two (WW2) when fighting against Nazi Germany in Europe came to an end.**

**On 8th May 1945, Prime Minister Winston Churchill made an announcement on the radio at 3.00pm that the war in Europe had come to an end, following Germany's surrender the day before.**

### How was VE Day celebrated?

By the beginning of 1945, the German army had been weakened and defeat looked likely. Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced the end of the war in Europe on the radio on **Tuesday 8th May 1945**. Many people were extremely happy that the fighting had stopped and there were big celebrations and street parties. People also attended church services to thank God for the victory.

**VE Day** was also a moment of great sadness and reflection, as millions of people had lost their lives or lost loved ones in the conflict. Many had to continue fighting battles in other parts of the world away from Europe where the war continued. Lots of people were also being kept as prisoners of war abroad.

### What did the Royal family do on VE day?

Huge crowds gathered outside Buckingham Palace on VE Day and cheered as King George VI and his family, including Princess Elizabeth who later became Queen Elizabeth II, came out onto the balcony and waved.

Princess Elizabeth and her younger sister Princess Margaret were allowed to go out and celebrate with the crowds though they had to do it secretly. The future Queen had served as a driver and mechanic during the war for the Auxiliary Transport Service, so she wore her uniform to blend in with the crowds. In a rare interview with the BBC in 1985, Queen Elizabeth said: *"My sister and I realised that we couldn't see what the crowds were enjoying so we asked my parents if we could go out and see for ourselves."*

*"I remember lines of unknown people linking arms and walking down Whitehall, all of us just swept along on a tide of happiness and relief,"* she added. The sisters even went and danced at The Ritz, a luxury hotel in London. Queen Elizabeth described it as *"one of the most memorable nights of my life"*.

### What is the difference between VE Day and VJ Day?

Even though VE Day marked victory for Europe over Germany, it did not mark the end of World War Two. In his VE Day announcement, Winston Churchill said: *"We may allow ourselves a brief period of rejoicing, but let us not forget for a moment the toil and efforts that lie ahead."*

Even after 8th May, many soldiers, sailors and pilots were sent to fight against Japan, who had not yet surrendered.

This came on 14th August 1945, after two atomic bombs were dropped on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima (6th August) and Nagasaki (9th August). On 15th August 1945, the allies had officially defeated Japan.

This date is known as Victory over Japan Day or **VJ Day**. World War Two was finally over.

