

# WESTHOLME LIFE

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HAPPY 10TH BIRTHDAY TO  
OUR BOYS' JUNIOR SCHOOL

**FUNDRAISING GALORE FOR  
THOSE LESS FORTUNATE**



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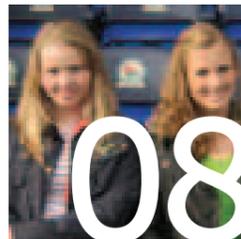
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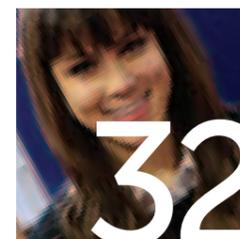
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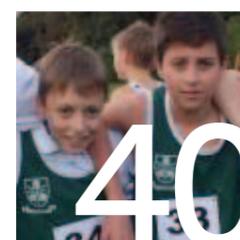
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# REMARKABLE RESULTS

## MORE PRIZES FOR WESTHOLME

Our annual prizegiving ceremony took place at King George's Hall. Chairman of Governors, Mr Brian Marsden opened proceedings and reflected on the past 12 months as a year of change for Westholme. He thanked Mrs Croston for her dedicated service to the school and welcomed Mrs Lynne Horner as our new Principal. Mrs Horner then presented a review of the academic year 2012-2013 in a slide show of images touching on many of our school successes, including the numerous trips, sporting events and productions to name but a few.



Head and Deputy Head girls, Harriet Dagnall and Lucy Horsfield then took to the stage for a Sixth Form take on School life. Their speech was confident, funny and indeed captured the pure essence of Westholme life as we know it. It touched on the introduction of senior boys, the famous Westholme shortbread biscuits and the mysteriousness of the 'staff pigeon hole'!

Harriet warmly introduced our prize presenter, Kate James, Chief Communications Officer for the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Kate, an Old Westholmian, presented the prizes before going

on to talk to the audience about the job she currently does with the Foundation, stating that it was Westholme who instilled in her the belief that she could fulfil her true potential.

A fabulous finale of a Coldplay medley (especially chosen for number one fan Mrs Horner) was then performed by the School choir. You simply had to be there to experience the atmosphere. Huge congratulations to Mr Millest for his hard work and dedication in yet another amazing musical feat.

**What a fantastic night of celebrating Westholme life!**

*Sophie Kirkpatrick celebrates her outstanding results - 11A\*s*



## DURING THE SUMMER, STAFF AND PUPILS ALIKE CELEBRATED ANOTHER SET OF AMAZING EXAMINATION RESULTS

Our A Level students excelled in their performances and successfully gained their places in the top universities. Two students secured places at Oxford and Cambridge. Sophie Ward, Deputy Head Girl, to Queen's College, Oxford to read Biomedical Sciences, whilst just as impressively, Emily Richardson joined Emmanuel, Cambridge to read Geography. In another outstanding achievement, Ciara Baxendale was awarded a place at RADA, beating thousands of applicants. Across the whole range of subjects, Westholme students shone out.

The pass rate was 100% in 23 subjects and 9% of grades were at the very top A\* level, equalling last year's performance. To gain this grade, candidates have to score 95% or more in all their examination papers. 89% of all grades were A\* - C, the top grades which guarantee university admission. This has been key in ensuring that all of our pupils have secured a university place in line with their aspirations. A stunning 82% of the cohort gained places in their first choice of university and 9% in their second. 100% of those who applied for a place in the Russell Group universities were destined to go there. These statistics highlight what is important;



that at Westholme we pave the way for each individual's future in line with their personal aspirations.

The success continued at GCSE level, where we had a 100% pass rate in seven subjects including Chinese, German, History and Geography. In English there was a 97% pass rate and in iGCSE Mathematics a 100% pass rate with 83% of all grades at A\*/A.

20% of all students each gained a minimum of 10A\*/A grades. Three of our outstanding pupils were Sophie Kirkpatrick who gained 11A\*s, Katie Goodier who got 10 A\*s and 2As and Hui-Ling Phillips achieving 10 A\*s and 1 A.

Nearly half (48%) of all grades were at A\*/A grades which is much higher than the national average.



# Super Sailing!

The Westholme sailing crew take to the high seas!

Nine Year 10 and 11 girls and Mr Beard joined the 60' Ketch "Tenacity of Bolton", her skipper and mate at Glasson dock. That afternoon was breezy as they headed out to sea in a stiff Force 5 to Piel Island. Their sea legs were tested straight away, but they soon adapted to living in constant movement. The next week saw them sail north, helping to the helm, sail and run the watches.

Before reaching Oban the following Saturday, they visited the Isle of Man, Sanda Island, the Isle of Islay, the Isle of Seil and Tobermory on the Isle of Mull. The girls excelled themselves; living, sleeping, cooking and eating in a very confined area. They encountered high winds and a day of fog, followed by an exceptionally hot spell in Scotland with Mediterranean temperatures! They were rewarded with views of abundant wildlife at close quarters including sightings of seals and dolphins.

In the Sound of Linn they were given a display of classic dolphin play, with dolphins leaping out of the water with their young. Other highlights included the uninhabited island of Eilean Mòr where they anchored for their fifth night. This beautiful island with an eighth century chapel and hermit cave was enchanting. Some girls lowered themselves into the hermit's cave with one of them requiring Mr Beard's mountaineering rope to get out!

Altogether they covered 250 nautical miles and proved to be a competent, cheerful and first class crew. Mr Beard was very proud of them and was sad to say goodbye as he began his retirement.



## Choir Tour 2013

**Musical performances including James Bond and The Beatles made up this year's Choir Tour.**

Our marvellous musicians enjoyed a very successful seven day tour to Austria. Their performance of Haydn's Creation in Salzburg's St Andrew's Church and their matinée of James Bond and Beatles' songs plus the Swing Band and soloists in the Mirabell Gardens had very enthusiastic audiences and raised almost 1,000 Euros for a local charity.

Choir members also enjoyed the trick fountains and the Sound of Music Pavilion at Hellbrunn Palace, along with other Sound of Music locations in Salzburg, The Lichtenstein Gorge, Hohenwerfen Castle (famous location for the film 'Where Eagle's Dare'), Eagle's Nest (this infamous Nazi Holiday Home now also raises money for charity), A Summer Toboggan Run,

Lake Konigsee and the Water Park and Mountains near the hotel in Wagrain.

Eighty two pupils returned to school rather tired after their 25 hour coach journey, but happy about the pleasure they had brought to people and the experiences they had enjoyed. This year Austria, next year...Milan!

# Talking the Talk

## Ewood Park Media Day

Year 9 girls arrived at Ewood Park ready to speak Spanish and eagerly anticipating the opportunity to interview a Spanish football player.

The first port of call was the Education Centre in the Darwen End where the girls prepared questions in Spanish for the upcoming interview and collected video cameras. Next, they all set off to produce a video tour of the stadium with Spanish commentary. They filmed all sections of the stadium, including the changing rooms, but managed to resist the urge for an ice bath! The player interview was the highlight for most. Yeray Torres, a young Spanish academy player, was very hospitable and answered all of the girls' questions, even posing for photographs and signing them for everyone.

After lunch, it was back to the Education Centre to compile their video tours where the girls spent the afternoon editing their videos and adding music, captions and credits.

At the end of the day they had the chance to watch their video back. It turns out there might be a few budding television presenters in Year 9 and perhaps some of the girls might start watching a bit more football if Se-or Torres makes the first team...!

## French Trip

Forty six children and six members of staff enjoyed the 2013 Junior Schools' French Trip. Staying in the Somme area, they took part in a variety of activities where they were able to practise their French on a day to day basis.

Children enjoyed a town trail around the town of Rue and visited the local market where they bought souvenirs and perfected their French. They also visited a snail farm and tasted snails in garlic butter. On a visit to a goat farm, they discovered how goats' cheese was made. The talk they listened to was all in French and Madame Thorpe was very impressed with how well they managed to translate everything. Continuing the food theme, a visit to a boulangerie gave the children a chance

to learn how French bread is made and they all had a go at shaping croissants.

One of the days was spent visiting The Somme. In the morning they went to The Somme Museum in the town of Albert where they learnt all about World War I. Later that day they visited Newfoundland Park, which is the Canadian War Memorial. The children went into the trenches and experienced what life would have been like as a soldier in the war and also looked at the various weapons and equipment that soldiers would have used. They laid a wreath provided by the British Legion and the whole experience was extremely moving.

Evening entertainments included a quiz and a disco which all the children (and staff!) enjoyed thoroughly.

**What a wonderful trip!**

## European Day of Languages

Westholme certainly celebrated this special day in style! It began with a European flavoured assembly, presented by Miss Widnall, Head of Spanish, and her team of helpers.

With Spanish singing by everyone in the Theatre, spurred on by a stage of talented vocalists and guitarists, it really was a fabulous way to start the day.

Of course there were quizzes! Five of them, to be precise - testing the European knowledge of pupils and staff.

The highlight for many was the smorgasbord of continental dishes, served up by Westholme's wonderful catering staff. Flag bunting adorned the dining room and the tables were decorated beautifully - each filled with every dish imaginable! A veritable feast of European flavours and cultures.





Mark Cruise, Community Cohesion Sergeant from Lancashire Constabulary talks to the Year 11 and Sixth Form Criminology Course students



Claire Bury, Director of Services for the EU speaks to Spanish, French and Economic classes about the European Union as part of the Back to School with the EU programme



Ellie Cook (5S) enjoys a visit from The Bug Box



Shalini Ojha (RW) meets 'Bobby the Owl' on his visit to the Reception Classes



Year 5 boys listen to a talk about the Titanic from Mr Nigel Hampson from the Lancashire Titanic Museum



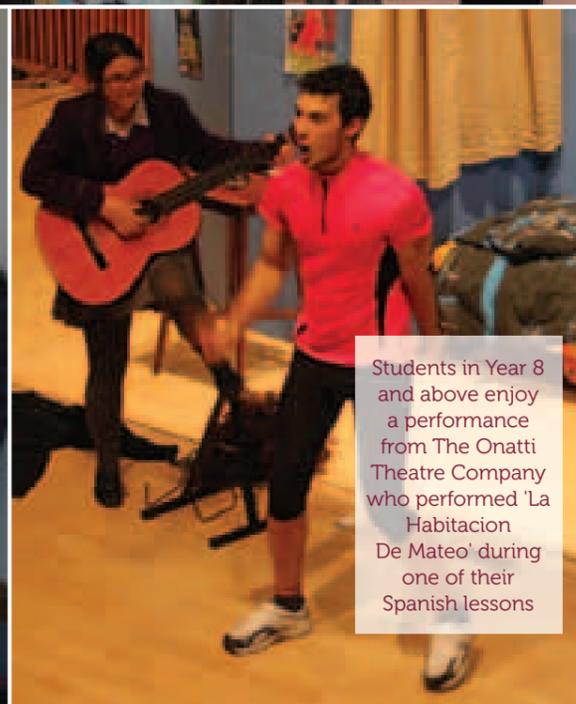
GCSE and A Level art students enjoy a creative workshop from former Marvel illustrator Tim Perkins

# visitors in...

This term we have welcomed many exciting visitors into School. Students have benefitted from the visits which really brought their learning to life.



Old Westholmian, Charlotte Holden returns to School as part of the Alumni Careers Seminar programme to talk to the students about her career as a Chemical Engineer



Students in Year 8 and above enjoy a performance from The Onatti Theatre Company who performed 'La Habitation De Mateo' during one of their Spanish lessons



Mr David, parent of Tanya Philip (5S) talks to Year 5 girls about his work as an eye surgeon



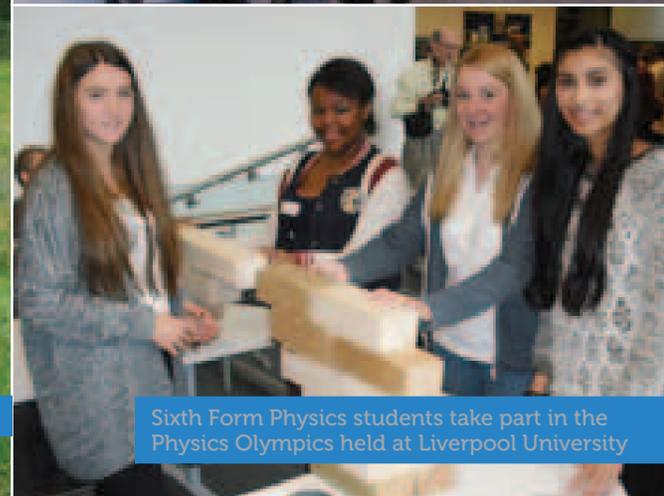
Year 10 GCSE Geographers on their residential trip to the Yorkshire Dales



Year 1 enjoy a visit to Eureka!



Year 6 girls step back in time as they visit Quarry Bank Mill



Sixth Form Physics students take part in the Physics Olympics held at Liverpool University



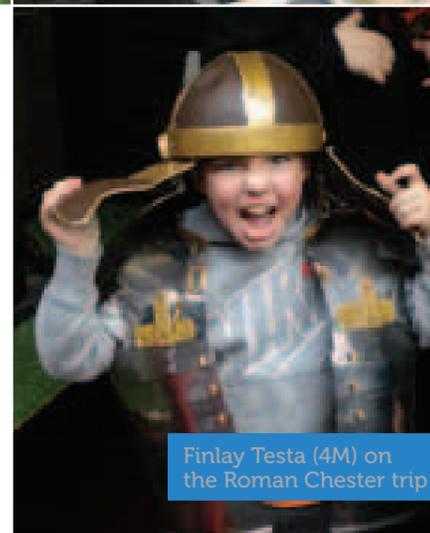
Aditi Garg visits the x-ray department at Beardwood Hospital



Year 10 pupils visit Vajravarahi Buddhist Centre, Preston for an EPR Buddhism Study Day

# insideout

Learning at Westholme takes place outside the classroom as well as inside. This term, pupils at all sites have enjoyed venturing to many locations to enhance their knowledge with hands-on experience.



Finlay Testa (4M) on the Roman Chester trip



Business Studies students visit the SPAR distribution centre



Reception children enjoy the Great Outdoors on a trip to Brockholes Nature Reserve



The cast of 'Original Sin' take their show to the Edinburgh Fringe



Year 6 girls investigate the effect of exercise on the heart at Blackburn Rovers' Education Centre



7T on a trip to Conwy Castle

# The Big Debate



The 'Westholme Debating Competition' was arguably an outstanding event. Schools from all over Lancashire fought a war of words over whether 'free speech' should be absolute.

The standard was incredibly high making it very difficult for the judges (staff, governors and Sixth Formers) to decide the winning teams in the first round. The focus of the competition was content and substance over style, encouraging students to engage in a contest of ideas and defending their ideas to critical scrutiny. But it was evident that all of the competitors clearly possessed style and substance.

Our Westholme students chaired the debates confidently and articulately. Both Hannah Patel and Katie Goodier performed their roles, as chairpersons, incredibly well in the final, which provided a nail biting finish to the day. Additionally, it was lovely to see students from Years 11 and above working with staff and governors to decide the winning teams. Undoubtedly, the winning team, Bowland High School, deserved to be awarded the trophy and crowned the winners of the 'Westholme Debating Competition'.

## Lancaster Debating

Two Year 11 students, Flora Robson and Annabel Steele, and two Year 8 boys, George Ward-Thompson and Ben Timmiswood, attended Lancaster University's Debating Competition. Entering a competition that usually consists of Sixth Form students didn't deter them one bit. The first motion to be debated was 'The British armed forces should be dramatically reduced in size and capability to the point that they are unable to attack another nation'. Annabel and Flora won this round, beating Central

Newcastle High School and Burnley College. Encouragingly, George and Ben came second to Flora and Annabel.

Although Westholme did not win the overall event, the day was a resounding success. Our students learnt how to put an argument together in fifteen minutes. They learnt new terms, strategies and skills that they will be able to utilise throughout their lives. Perhaps we may be educating future politicians – they would certainly get our vote!



## Enterprise Day

**Five teams of GCSE students competed to design, market and cost a new 'app'.** We were particularly pleased to welcome teams from Bishop Rawstrone, Blessed Trinity & Rhyddings to compete against Westholme in our annual 'Enterprise Day'.

**All the teams created unique, innovative ideas** for their apps and the design concepts they created were incredible. After pitching their Business Proposals to our panel of judges, the winners were announced as Blessed Trinity

with their new Health & Fitness app aimed at busy, professional women! **All five teams were commended by the judges for how hard they had worked** and really pulled together to achieve some incredible results.

# Lads' and Dads' Adventure Weekend

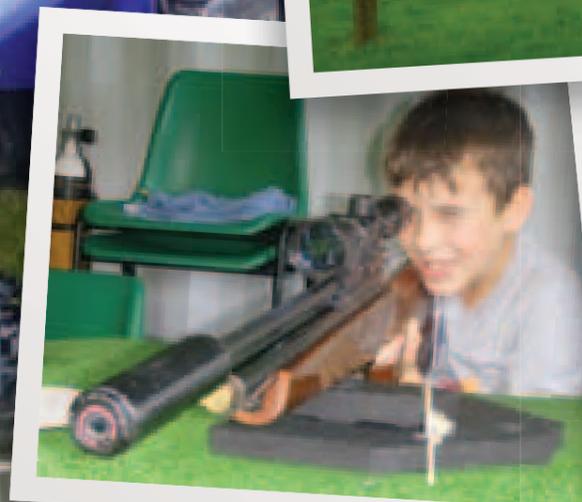
Arrival at 9am on the Saturday with gorgeous sunshine got the weekend off to a great start. Eager to embark on their adventure, lads and their dads were assembled into groups to begin their activities which included an assault course, archery and rifle shooting. A treasure hunt and problem solving activities were also enjoyed. One of the main highlights was the Argo Cat - a white knuckle ride on an eight wheel amphibious vehicle! Several games of cricket and football were played out on the fields whilst others enjoyed exploring and playing in the wonderful outdoors.

After an exciting, yet exhausting day spent in the great outdoors, everyone gathered together in the camping barn to 'muck in' and prepare the evening meal and a curry was enjoyed by all! Whilst Dads enjoyed catching up, the boys were thrilled to be taking part in the biggest ever sleep over!

They awoke on the Sunday morning to find that the weather had changed from lovely sunshine to strong winds and rain showers! After a hearty breakfast, everyone set out to enjoy the morning's activities - Quad Biking or a short walk, taking in Aire Force.

Everyone enjoyed a fantastic weekend and left with many tales of adventure and laughter!

In early September, 30 families gathered at Rookin House in the Lake District for the inaugural Lads' and Dads' Adventure Weekend.



# THE GREAT WESTHOLME BAKE OFF!

As everyone knows, Westholme is famed for its shortbread biscuits, but it was felt that there needed to be a savoury counterpart! The competition was kindly sponsored by Mr Edwin Booth of Booths Supermarkets, with a generous prize being awarded to the overall winner.

Heat 1 was held with the bar being set high! Recipes including rosemary and Parmesan shortbread, sundried tomato and oregano, and spicy stars were baked with enthusiasm; the aroma drifting over from the Home Economics room was enticing.

Heats 2 and 3 took place on Open Day with more mouth-watering recipes including 'Parmesan and crispy Parma ham' and the aptly named 'A Mein Twist' which was made with Parmesan, figs and chilli flakes. Once again, gorgeous smells were soon wafting out of the home economics room! It was no wonder that a steady stream of open day visitors came to watch the competitors mix, chop, taste and decorate their biscuits.

Judging all three heats was tough, but 7 candidates were selected to go through to the final of the Great Westholme Bake Off!

The pressure was on as our finalists began cooking. Our judges Mr Booth, Mrs Horner and Mrs Ballan took time to speak to each contestant, carefully watching their methods as they did so.

Soon enough, it was time to 'plate up' and display their biscuits. Judging certainly proved to be a difficult task – would this new biscuit be a good savoury companion for the infamous Westholme Shortbread? It had to be just the right taste, consistency and size to warrant being eaten with a beverage.

Finally, the judges made their decision and congratulations went to Year 9 student, Laayan Patel who was announced as the winner with her Cheddar cheese, poppy and sesame seed biscuits. A prize of Topshop vouchers, kindly donated by our sponsors, Booths Supermarkets, was received with thanks.

Well done Laayan and congratulations to all other finalists:

Sophie Dunbar (8L)  
Megan Collins (9W)  
Holly Salisbury (10M)  
Maariyah Roker (10L)  
and Gabriela Sharp  
& Ruby Willett (11W)



## THE GREAT BRITISH JUNIOR BAKE OFF

Isabelle Shaw (7M) successfully made it through to the Junior Bake Off after being chosen from 10,000 other keen junior bakers. Filming took place during the summer and Isabelle had to complete a technical challenge, where she made a sticky toffee pudding; her show stopper challenge had to be a cake inspired by the future. To this end, Isabelle made a Genoese Battenberg Chocolate Tardis! When asked about her time in the competition, Isabelle said

*“It was a nerve-wracking, but exciting experience”.*



# Harvest

## FESTIVAL

The Junior Schools' Harvest Festival was held at St Silas' Church, Blackburn. Our Year 3 and 4 pupils led the service beautifully, with lovely singing of special Harvest hymns. Pupils read with confidence and clarity and were a delight to listen to. Canon Ranson drew the service to a close by thanking them for their generous donations of food which were to be distributed to local charities.

The children at Billinge House welcomed Mrs Christine Walker from the Blackburn Foodbank to a special assembly in aid of Harvest. Mrs Walker was amazed at the vast amount of food that the children had been collecting in the lead up to her visit. Mrs Walker explained about the good work that takes place at the Foodbank and how they had helped over four thousand local people since they opened last year. She was very pleased that all of the children's donations would be able to help so many people.



## Poppy Competition

The children from Billinge House learnt about why we wear poppies when Mrs Milnes conducted a Remembrance Day assembly.

Many children entered the Billinge House 'design a 3D poppy competition' and, whilst they were all amazing, there could only be two winners from each year group.

This year's winners were awarded books and all the entries were displayed in Billinge House.

Well done to everyone who took part - we raised £23.50 for The British Legion.



## Winners

- Pre-School - Jacob Dove, Thomas Sibley
- Reception - Ammaar Badshah, Imogen Weller
- Year 1 - Eddie McGhie, Sophia Mohsan
- Year 2 - Darcie Dewhurst, Amelia Wood

# Geographical Guests

Rob Lilwall  
& David Edwards

Explorer, author and motivational speaker Rob Lilwall, took time out from his busy schedule to visit Westholme School to talk to Year 5, 6, 7 & 8 pupils about his 3 year long expedition Cycling Home From Siberia.

Rob's route from Siberia with just his bike (and the help of the occasional boat!) took him through many countries including Japan, Australia & Afghanistan. He spoke of meeting friendly locals who at times gave him much needed support - one of whom even welded his bike back together!

Rob shared photographs, videos and stories which depicted some of the challenges he faced along his travels. He endured an

extremely cold Siberian winter, saw the remoteness of the Australian outback along with its high temperatures and navigated his way through the frightening jungles of Papua New Guinea. During his three year journey he experienced highs and lows. He was robbed at gunpoint and caught malaria but happily met his wife-to-be during a stay in Hong Kong.

His audience were clearly inspired by his determination and strength.

Rob emphasised how we should all go and discover the world to see what's out there. He encouraged the pupils to try their own adventures albeit on a smaller scale than his!

**Rob is continuing to explore and another of his recent expeditions was 'Walking Home from Mongolia'. All expeditions have been in aid of charity and Rob has raised a tremendous £80,000 so far!**

David Edwards is a lecturer on travel, adventure and the environment and entertained both pupils and parents with his stories, ideas and insights from around the world.



Firstly David inspired Year 8 & 9 with his vivid account of life in Botswana where he lived for three months, in the bush as a leader on a youth expedition. Our pupils now know how to survive close encounters with elephants and lions and what a struggle it is for survival in the harsh Kalahari environment.

David participated in an expedition to Antarctica in 2013 and shared his experiences with the A Level Geographers of this spectacular wilderness. The horrific smell of penguin guano, the ice carved landscapes and the evidence for climate change in this untouched wilderness gripped the students' imaginations.

Our energy future is one of the most important global issues we face today and this thought provoking lecture was the topic of David's final presentation, delivered to the Year 12 students to enhance their General Studies course. David discussed how energy is the key to economic development and that without energy, literacy rates and life expectancy fall. He discussed the need for energy security, the options and the conflicts that will arise as we try to ensure that we have access to energy.

The climax of the day was the evening lecture 'Montserrat - surviving the volcano' in The Croston Theatre. David spoke to an enthralled audience of Westholme pupils and parents and A Level and GCSE Geography students from neighbouring schools. His stories of snake capture and tree frog impressions were hilarious as he explained the biodiversity sampling he was carrying out in this Caribbean paradise when the volcano erupted. David's account of the final eruption and the impact on this idyllic island was truly memorable.



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## Westholme Boys' Junior School

# 10 years

**The official Boys' Junior School 10th Birthday celebrations were held at Beardwood House. We enjoyed a wonderful party. All past and present pupils, parents and staff had been invited and many could not actually believe that 10 whole years had passed by since the opening of the School!**

Guests enjoyed a tour of Beardwood House before enjoying a fabulous buffet tea which had been prepared and served by the superb catering staff – many former pupils commented on how much they had missed the school dinners and it was touching to see them hugging the kitchen ladies with great affection. The atmosphere in the dining hall at

Beardwood Bank was lovely; friends caught up, memories were shared and everyone enjoyed the celebrations.

Mrs Horner welcomed the guests before Mr Lewis took them all on a trip down memory lane in his speech. It was then time to cut the cake (and sing Happy Birthday) – quite fitting that all three of the Boys' Junior School Heads were present,

and that we had pupil representatives from the past (2003), present (current Year 3 and Year 6 boys) and future (current Year 2 boy).

The evening carried on with guests chatting way into the early evening. What a perfect way to mark 10 years of Westholme Boys' Junior School. We look forward to the next 10 years!



# The Purple Ball



The Purple Ball was held at Ewood Park. Members of the Association had lovingly and beautifully decorated the suite. This event is held annually and endeavours to raise funds in order to provide the children of Westholme School with that 'something extra'.



The evening began with a champagne reception provided by Northcote who also created the delicious three course meal. During the reception, guests were offered a chance to buy a sparkly bauble, with a numbered ticket attached – to enter the limited raffle. Prizes for the limited raffle were generously donated by local businesses and parents. These were:

- Gucci bracelet – kindly donated by Peter Jackson the Jeweller
- Day Spa for 2 – The Woodland Spa at Crow Wood
- Armani bag and purse – Mr & Mrs Hart/Mr & Mrs Lamb
- Italian Table Lamp – Chelsom Lighting
- Sunday lunch for 4 at the Angels, Ribchester/ kindly donated by Angels
- Photo Studio voucher – Mr & Mrs Jeremy Makinson - Ribble Valley Studios

The tables looked stunning as did the guests. The raffle prizes were displayed beautifully

in the main function room thanks to the Westholme Association committee members who gave up their Saturday morning to help prepare the room.

Each guest received a glossy brochure, containing the menu, some thank you messages from the children for items donated by the Association, along with adverts for local businesses which helped to fund the event. Thanks went to Julian Pickford for his help in collating and printing the beautiful brochure. Ladies received a goody bag from Lisa Moore at FH Medispa, containing a voucher for treatments, and some chocolates.



The lucky winners were announced before dinner by Carina Lamb (Chairperson). A celebrity element was offered in the form of a 'Scottish Grace' by Kevin Gallacher who now helps to train our Senior boys with his football expertise. Guests were then treated to a three

course dinner with treacle cured salmon being the starter, followed by a delicious Goosnargh chicken dish and a fruity meringue dessert. The vegetarian option was also delicious.

After the main course, a further chance to win raffle prizes was offered; from generous hampers to discount vouchers for local restaurants and Spa days to bottles of champagne. These were all again very kindly donated by parents and local businesses. The purple organza bags containing party poppers, (win or no-win) and chocolates went down a storm, with committee members having to get extra bags as they had sold out! There were many more happy winners with at least one person per table receiving a prize.

The parents of Westholme, their invited friends, teachers past and present strutted their stuff on the dance floor – there was no holding back and the DJ was successful in filling the floor all night. Our happy guests chatted and laughed to the very end and reluctantly retrieved their cloaks for the carriages home at 1am!

The Purple Ball is one of our biggest fundraising events and the Westholme Association wish to thank everyone who helped to make it the success it was – early feedback is hugely positive and the raffles alone raised over £2500! Figures now in show that we raised a whopping £5000!



## The Leyland Band

One of our concert series events saw The Leyland Band perform in The Croston Theatre. Ranked the sixth best band in the world they are renowned for presenting entertaining concerts full of humour and excitement suitable for all. They certainly didn't disappoint on the night. As always, our wonderful Swing Band and combined orchestras provided pre concert entertainment. It really was a thoroughly brilliant evening – thank you to The Leyland Band for a fantastic show!

## LIZ SINGLETON'S

# Showtime

Everyone was excitedly looking forward to the Liz Singleton Showtime concert; we all knew that she had been a wonderful singer while at school and had gone on to earn success at the Guildford School of Acting, as Eponine and other roles in Les Misérables at the Queen's Theatre in the West End and was currently touring opposite Paul Michael Glaser in Craig Revel Horwood's Fiddler on the Roof. We were not disappointed! From the magical hushed tones of her opening song from Sunset Boulevard to overwhelming moments of vocal power and expression the audience were captivated by everything she said and sang.

Members of the school choirs opened the evening with a spirited preview of their Prizegiving Coldplay Medley and Liz's two guests, Emily Booth and Jamie Jukes, supported her well with songs like 'Wishing You Were Somehow Here Again' and 'A Boy Like That', but it was Liz who provided the focus and excellence of the evening, helpfully relating her choice of songs to moments in her own life. She told how as a child she dreamt of starring in The Little Mermaid and then gave an exquisite rendition of 'Part Of Your World'. Songs like 'Meadowlark' were not only performed with passion and musicianship but put in the context of how they had featured in Liz's life so far, at auditions or inspiring her in one way or another.

"A big thank you to Liz for a very moving and inspiring evening for everyone that attended. We will certainly be following her blossoming career!"



Everyone in Senior School wore red to raise money to fund defibrillators for each of the Westholme school sites.

# SEEING RED!

Sam Sheehan, Executive Director, BMI Healthcare, said:

**“A hospital setting is easy by comparison to a more public leisurely location. This, along with training can save lives”.**

Mrs Kath Burton of Water Wings Swim School and Mrs Sam Sheehan were our special guests of the day. Mrs Burton ran a sponsored swim for her swimming pupils and raised an amazing £1,000. Mrs Sheehan, Executive Director for BMI Healthcare, secured funding of £1169 for Water Wings Swim School so they could buy a defibrillator. She recognises the importance of having the right equipment to hand in the event of a suspected cardiac arrest.

The cause was particularly close to Mrs Sheehan as her father had a heart attack last year. As a result of the funding from BMI Healthcare, plus Mrs Burton's fundraising efforts, we were able to purchase both the defibrillator and a heated outdoor cabinet for the pool, benefiting Water Wings swim pupils, Westholme pupils, teachers, parents, grandparents, staff and visiting schools.

To this end, the pupils and staff at Westholme endeavoured to raise their own money, so that all school sites could be equipped with this life-saving equipment. All dressed in vibrant red, everyone, including our Principal, Mrs Horner, completed an obstacle course which ran through the sports hall, and out to the Astro turf and the netball courts. What an extremely active and fun way to raise money for this invaluable equipment. Well done, everybody!



# Fundraising Fun!

Westholme students are always keen to help others who aren't as lucky as themselves. This term, all pupils have raised money for The Children's Trust, Children in Need, Macmillan and many more well deserving charities.

## Children in Need

This event was celebrated in great style at Westholme. Fundraising took place from Nursery through to Sixth Form; our youngest Westholmers at the Nursery wore yellow for the day and took part in lots of Pudsey Bear activities, whilst Billinge House children wore their pyjamas to school and also enjoyed a cake sale.

At our Girls' Junior School, pupils were able to accessorise their uniform with spots and dots for a donation to the charity and the Boys' Junior School held a cake sale. The fundraising continued at the Senior School with all pupils having a non uniform day to raise lots of money – what a fantastic whole school effort!



## Dahlicious Day

Our Girls' Junior School pupils turned up to school dressed as their favourite Roald Dahl character, all in aid of raising money for Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity.

Throughout the day, we stumbled upon Willy Wonka, Fantastic Mr Fox and Violet Beauregarde to name but a few! Staff also joined in the fun with characters including Mike Teavee and Miss Honey. A Dahlicious dress up parade took place during assembly before each class took part in a selection of fun activities.



TOP LEFT: Members of the Sixth Form Charity Team held a sweet sale to raise money for the Philippines' typhoon fund



TOP RIGHT: Eve Downham, Sophie Mustoe and Zain Sykes (all 1W) prepare for the Macmillan Coffee Morning at Billinge House

RIGHT: Nativity performances at Billinge House raised money for The Burnley Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Derian House and Nightsafe



LEFT: Callum Derbyshire (1W) enjoyed dressing up for Children in Need

RIGHT: Laila Zumla took part in the Nursery Pyjama Day to raise money for The Children's Trust

BOTTOM LEFT: Lily Pickup (Nursery) celebrated Children in Need

BELOW: Hannah Berry, Amy Dixon, Megan Ormisher, Alisha Ismail (all 4W) at the cake sale for Children in Need



# FOCUS ON... THE CHARITY TEAM

The Sixth Form Charity Team work throughout the school year, raising money for many well deserving causes. Westholme Life caught up with them during one of their recent fundraising events.



## How does the Charity Team work?

There are about twenty Sixth Form students in the charity team altogether, but we are split into five smaller groups and focus on individual, separate events (and ways of raising money) all for the same charity.

This is really effective as more events can be arranged due to there being five smaller charity teams working as opposed to one large team. Not

only does this give all the students an opportunity to get more involved, it also allows for potentially five different fundraising events to be arranged rather than one team just focussing on one event. Ultimately more money can be raised for good causes!

## Who is in the Charity Team?

The team is exclusively for Sixth Form students but we do work alongside younger year groups to help them raise

money for charities too. As it stands we aren't able to work with the Junior and Infant school children due to them being based at a different site; however we would like to arrange a fundraising event for them in the future. It would take more planning but we feel it is something we could work towards!

## How often do you meet?

We meet once a week at lunchtime. It doesn't impact on any of our studies and is always really nice to come up with new fundraising ideas.



## What have you done so far this term?

We arranged for dried food donations to be brought into school so they could be given to the Clitheroe Food Bank. We realise that as winter approaches, many families have to choose between heating and eating. We felt that this was something that could affect people close to home, hence the reason we chose to help. For Children in Need, we organised a non uniform day and asked all students to donate £1 or more for the charity. We also sold Poppies for Remembrance Day to staff and students.

## What have you got planned for the rest of the year?

We are currently working with each year group on a number of initiatives to raise money. These include sweet sales, a

movie night and a raffle. We would also like to organise a whole staff collaboration where they do something funny for money. The Beyoncé performance from a couple of years ago was epic and raised thousands of pounds for charity!

## Why did you decide to volunteer for the Charity Team?

It's always nice to try and give something back. We feel that as a team we are good at helping others and have great organisational skills which you really need when putting on an event. Already this year, we have helped a local charity (Clitheroe Food Bank), a national charity (Children in Need) and an international charity (Philippines Typhoon Fundraising Appeal). We keep up to date with current affairs both in our community and the wider areas and are always researching new charities we can help.

We spoke to Mrs Waldron, Head of Sixth Form who said,

"It is fantastic that the students freely give of their time to help others. The charity team often feel extremely rewarded when they are able to raise money for such good causes.

There is so much already on offer at Westholme that they could choose to do and it is touching to see them choosing to help others".

# Duke of Edinburgh

Gold participants experienced some of the hottest weather during their Gold expedition in Snowdonia this summer. To avoid walking in the heat of the afternoon, they set off by 5am and arrived at camp by 2pm each day!

In September, forty four Year 11 students successfully completed their final Bronze D of E expeditions in the White Peak area of Derbyshire. The fine weather was appreciated by all and they experienced stunning views over Monsal Dale and Lathkill Dale.

Sixth Form students have enjoyed the picturesque villages of the Forest of Bowland during their Silver expeditions. The weather was perfect in August but the expedition in October proved to be particularly wet, raining almost continuously for 3 days!

Well done to all participants!



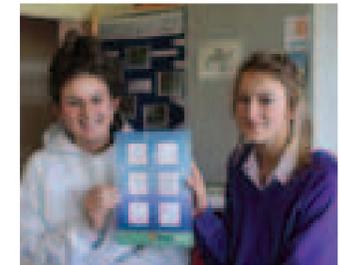
Westholme's GCSE Computer Science students participated in the BIMA event which was organised by Mr Worden and industry expert Michael Cain from local digital media company TwentyOne based at Eanam Wharf in Blackburn.

The event involved all GCSE Computing students with support from a selection of A Level ICT volunteers. Students learned about a variety of digital careers including social media managers, web designers, graphic designers, marketing experts, junior digital roles, freelancing, game programming, mobile app programming - to name but a few! Michael Cain gave students expert advice both in a practical and a career sense.

Students were split into four teams of four with two A Level ICT students mentoring each team. Two teams chose to design and plan out a new mobile phone application. The other two teams chose to design and plan out a new social media campaign for a new fashion brand.

Team one came up with a great mobile application idea named 'Topsy Text.' The app is aimed at young professionals and is designed to prevent them from sending social media and text messages to people when they have alcohol in their system. The goal was to prevent professionals from acting unprofessionally. Team two came up with a new app idea called 'Food Me.' This was a clever idea aimed at young mothers with families and very little time. The app would allow food to be ordered and beamed to a member of the family without going to the fridge. However, restrictions would be in place to prevent excessive amounts of calories being ordered, therefore lending itself to healthy eating regimes. The app would also allow the user to upload the details of the contents of their fridge to social media sites for others to suggest suitable recipes related to the ingredients available. Team three came up with a social media ad campaign for a new fashion label named 'Play & Pose.' The campaign was aimed at young females in need of reasonably priced dresses and accessories for

special occasions. The idea was to use celebrities and social media sites like Twitter to promote the brand and appeal to females looking for prom dresses, bridesmaid outfits etc. that could be used more than once. Team four developed a social media ad campaign whose target market included pregnant women in search of suitable, reasonably-priced, yet fashionable maternity wear. The label was called 'Soul Survivors.' The campaign involved Facebook, Twitter and Instagram as methods for promoting their brand and idea via celebrity endorsement.



Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the first ever computer science day of this type at Westholme. We hope there will be many more to come!



Interactive ICT



# Junior Sport

## Dolphin Swimming Awards

Congratulations to Westholme Junior Schools who have the second best standard of swimmers in the country! As part of the ASA (Amateur Swimming Association) scheme, we tested all our swimmers (boys and girls) from Years 3-6 to see how far they could swim a recognised legal

stroke. They received a certain amount of points for being able to swim certain distances in metres up to 100m. This total was then divided by the number of students we have to give us the average points score per pupil and it was the second highest average in the whole country! Awesome!

## Cross Country

Our Junior pupils have competed at various cross country tournaments this term. They first took part in the AJIS Cross Country Tournament, held at Rossall School. Everyone did extremely well, showing real determination on a tough course. The Year 5 girls' team finished in an impressive 7<sup>th</sup> place overall out of 19 teams – amazing to say it was their first experience of

competitive cross country racing! The Year 6 team did equally well finishing 12<sup>th</sup> out of 22 teams. Particular congratulations also went to Amy Dowsing who came second in the Year 6 race. Our boys' team also did very well with a great team effort on the day. A selection of pupils also took part in the BPS Cross Country tournament, held

at QEGS. The team ran very well, with another brilliant performance from Amy Dowsing who finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. The overall total for the first four girl runners was a competitive 62 points. Yet again, the boys competed with great determination with many of them nicely bunched towards the front of the pack.



## Indoor Sportshall

Round 1 of this tournament took place at Stanley Park, Blackpool. Westholme were the only school to take part and we were competing against athletic club teams. Events including speed bounce, standing long jump and balance were competed with great energy. Overall we finished 4<sup>th</sup> out of 11 teams. Well done!

## Brilliant Biathlon

Congratulations to Year 4 pupil Hollie Cubbon who won the North West Regional 10s and under Biathlon. This meant Hollie took part in an 800m run and a 50m swim. Her qualification automatically allowed her to compete in the final of the Schools' Biathlon as an individual representing Westholme. Hollie will take part in the final in London at the Olympic Park in April next year.



## AJIS Swimming

Westholme hosted the annual AJIS Swimming Tournament, held at Darwen Leisure Centre. Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in various events including a number of relay races. Everyone swam really well with many making it through to the finals. Well done to everyone who took part!

# KEEP ON RUNNING

## NORTH WEST CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Saint Mary's Hall College held the North West Cross Country Championships. Westholme entered an U13 boys' and U13 girls' team. The course was muddy, slippery and very hilly, however, all our runners ran extremely well.

Our boys' team overall came in 5th place with Dominic Naylor the first Westholme boy back.

Laura Backhouse was the first girl back. Overall the girls came in second place and won silver medals, with all our girls in the top 25 runners.

Congratulations to both teams on their superb efforts.



## ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CROSS COUNTRY CUP 2013

Westholme held the first round of the English Schools' Cross Country Cup at Witton Park. Eighteen schools from all over Lancashire took part in this prestigious event. Westholme entered a Junior girls', Junior boys' and an Inter girls' team.

We did extremely well and all the runners who took part should be incredibly proud of their efforts. The Junior girls' team finished in 4th place overall with Natasha Rogan finishing in 11th place, Laura Backhouse in 13th place and Lucy Lambert in 14th place.

The Junior boys' team finished in 11th place with Dominic Naylor storming ahead in 17th place.

The Inter girls' team finished in a fantastic 3rd place with Lucy Fielden finishing in 7th and Molly Nelligan in 14th place.

Congratulations to the Junior and Inter girls' teams who qualified for the regional final of the cup which was held in Liverpool.

At the regional finals, the Junior girls were in the first race and all six girls ran extremely well. Natasha Rogan completed the race in a fantastic 12th place and the team finished overall in 7th place in the whole of the North West.

The Inter girls' team also did extremely well with Lucy Fielden being Westholme's first girl back in 8th place. Overall the team finished in a superb 6th place, an amazing achievement.

Although we did not qualify for the national final both teams should feel extremely proud of their performances.

Congratulations to all the runners:

### JUNIOR TEAM

Laura Backhouse, Teigan Fawcett, Charlotte Heyes, Lucy Lambert, Anna Lonsdale and Natasha Rogan.

### INTER TEAM

Charlotte Berry, Lucy Fielden, Chloe Hegg, Maddie Laing, Sally Ralphson and Claudia Reyner.

## ENGLISH SCHOOLS' FELL RUNNING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to all pupils who took part in the sixth English Schools' Fell Running Championships held in Kendal. Both the Year 7 boys' and girls' teams finished in a superb 6th place overall, with amazing performances from Dominic Naylor who finished in 14th place in the boys' race and Lucy Lambert in 16th place for the girls' race.

The Year 8 & 9 girls' team was particularly strong and achieved a magnificent 2nd place overall nationally, with Lucy Fielden coming 18th, Laura Backhouse 26th and Fiona Anderson 32nd.

In the Year 10 & 11 race the team finished in a very creditable 6th place with Flora Robson the first Westholme runner home. A special mention must go to Molly Nelligan as, despite falling on the first section of the course and badly bruising her arm, she continued the race by using her number as a makeshift sling and with the support of Rebecca Lloyd showed true Westholme spirit to complete this very challenging course.

Hannah Dobrashian, Emma Dean and Rebecca Wignall all completed the immensely challenging Year 12 & 13 race, which was over 6km long and included over 1000 feet (326m) of climbing. They were the fourth girls' team home - a magnificent achievement.

Well done and thank you to all the twenty nine runners who took part.



# Senior Sport

## Brilliant Badminton

This term boys and girls have competed in a number of badminton competitions. Both U14 and U16 Senior girls competed in the Center Parcs National Schools' Badminton Competition.

The U16 girls first round was held at Westholme, where we entered two teams of four players into the competition and both teams played well. The B Team won 2 but lost 1 finishing 3rd in the competition and our A Team won both their group matches and successfully qualified for the final. Well done to all girls who competed, especially Esther Gibb, Alicia Stebbings, Alice Taylor and Emily Winter who have made it through to the next round.

Also held at Westholme was the U14 round. The B team won 2 and lost 2 matches and our A team won 3 and lost 1. With these great results our A team were the runners-up in the competition, receiving silver medals. Congratulations to Charlotte Berry, Olivia Pickford, Rumi Sutton and Baylie Thompson.



The boys also travelled away to compete in the Center Parcs Badminton Tournament where they came up against some strong competition. After a few very close games the end result was 3rd place. Year 8 boys also had a resounding 25-5 win in a friendly match against QEGS. Well played everyone, especially Tom Dixon and Ben Tinniswood who were unbeaten.



## English Schools' Swimming Championships

The English Schools' Swimming Championships were held at Broughton Pool in Salford.



This prestigious event consisted of all the top schools in Lancashire, Merseyside, Cheshire, Greater Manchester and the Isle of Man. The competition was very strong with 15-30 schools entered in each individual race.

Westholme entered three relay teams and all our students swam incredibly hard against very tough competition. They should be very proud of their achievements as they managed to finish in the top 10 schools in most of our races.

- Juniors girls** Joseph McGurk  
Lucy Lambert Ben Bulloch  
Natasha Rogan
- Seniors** Katie Greenall  
Lucy Fielden Gabriela Sharp  
Charlotte Berry Jessica Smith  
**Junior boys** Dominic Naylor  
Oliver Maughan Rebecca Souter



## National Schools' Netball Competition

The U14 & U16 Netball teams played in the County round of the National Schools' Netball Competition, which was held at Stanley Park, Blackpool.

The standard of all the teams who had entered was very high, and there were some very close matches.

Even though the U14 team only lost one match, unfortunately, they finished third in their group and so did not qualify for the semi-finals.

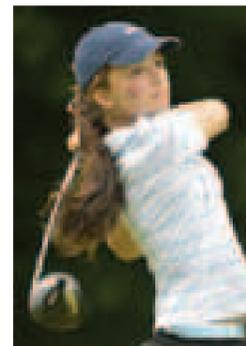
The U16 competition was held as a round robin competition, where all the teams play each other and the results are worked out from the points gained from all their matches.

Westholme won 5 matches, lost 2 and drew 1. We were very pleased to find that we had come second in the competition and qualified to represent Lancashire in the Regional round of this competition.

Well done to our team:

- Alice Taylor (Captain)
- Harriet Rose
- Rebecca Souter
- Grace Taylor
- Rebecca Lloyd
- Emily Winter
- Natasha Mols
- Jessica Smith

## Golfing Great!



Congratulations to Sophie Lamb who has made the England under 18 performance squad. Sophie's training is going to be very focussed and hard, but as ever, she is up to the challenge!

Earlier this year, Sophie helped England win the Home Internationals Trophy at St Anne's Old Links. Sophie played in all 6 matches and was the highest point scorer for the team.

It's obvious that her hard work paid off. Well done, Sophie, from everyone at Westholme!

# 'TIS THE SEASON

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON BEGAN AT WESTHOLME WITH THREE WONDERFUL NATIVITY PLAYS PERFORMED BY THE INFANT SCHOOL CHILDREN.

## BORN IN BETHLEHEM

The children in Pre-School and Reception began the Westholme festivities this year with their annual nativity plays. Firstly, Pre-School performed their lovely interpretation of *Born in Bethlehem*. A traditional nativity cast took to the Infant School stage and the



children sang a collection of songs which told the Christmas story beautifully. Parents beamed with pride as they watched their little ones confidently perform in front of an appreciative audience.

## A LITTLE BIRD TOLD ME

The children in Reception also gave a superb performance of their nativity *A Little Bird Told Me*, which took place in the Senior School Lecture Theatre. The story told that on a cold, snowy night in the middle of winter, a little Robin is shivering wishing she could be somewhere a little warmer.



A little bird tells her of some exciting news about the birth of a very special King far away in Bethlehem and she is invited to join a flock of birds flying south to visit the baby. On their way they meet shepherds, angels and wise men and come up with their own unique present for Jesus. All of the children did a fantastic job remembering their words, speaking clearly and singing brilliantly.

"ANOTHER WONDERFUL WESTHOLME PERFORMANCE!"

## HEY EWE!

The nativity series drew to a close with the performance of *Hey Ewe!* by the Year 1 and Year 2 children. They took to the stage in The Croston Theatre and immediately had the audience entranced. As Mrs Bolton reminded the packed theatre, these superb little performers are only aged five, six and seven! It seemed hardly possible.

The word perfect narrators guided us through the story with comedy and clarity

mixed together. They enchanted parents and grandparents with their tale and told how, of all the sheep in the flock, the smallest youngest ewe was the most inquisitive. She was always busy getting under the shepherds' feet and demanding to know exactly what was going on. On one special night, whilst all the other sheep were trying to sleep she became more curious than ever before! The curious little sheep was confident and charming, with a bit of mischief thrown in; she had the audience eating out of the palm of her hands!

The performance was brilliant, with all pupils taking a really active part and embracing the songs and acting with great enthusiasm. The production had singing sheep, dancing kings, beautiful angels, regimental soldiers and marvellous musicians – what more could you ask for from a nativity performance? Year 2 pupils took the lead roles and were ably assisted by pupils in Year 1. It really was a baaa-rilliant show! Mrs Horner commented at the end that it was the best infant production she had ever seen!

"IT REALLY WAS A BAAA-RILLIANT SHOW!"



# O Come, All Ye Faithful



WESTHOLME'S CATHEDRAL SERVICES ARE ALWAYS SPECIAL EVENTS IN OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR. A WONDERFUL ATMOSPHERE IS CREATED AS OUR PUPILS' BEAUTIFUL SINGING VOICES AND THEIR MAJESTIC MUSIC SIGNAL THAT CHRISTMAS HAS TRULY BEGUN!

The Senior School Carol Service started this year's programme of events at the Cathedral. Sixth Formers, as always, opened the evening with the sweet sounds of Once in Royal David's City, and the congregation were immediately warmed into the spirit of the season. Members of the Westholme community, including the new

Principal, contributed to the service by reading various lessons and spoke with clarity and confidence. Stunning musical performances by our choirs and orchestras filled the Cathedral with the most wonderful sounds. What a glorious evening indeed!

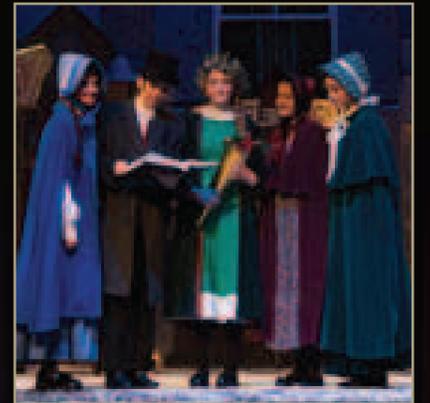


LATER THAT WEEK, THE JUNIOR SCHOOLS CAME TOGETHER FOR THEIR ANNUAL SERVICE.

The Year 5 children started proceedings with lunchtime Carols in the Cathedral which got everyone into the festive mood! Then, the traditional nativity service began. Soloists and musical groups performed to a packed Cathedral of families and friends. The theme of thoughts and prayers ran throughout the service and the congregation left feeling uplifted. A fitting end to another wonderful Westholme term, and an excellent start to Christmas!



# A CHRISTMAS CAROL



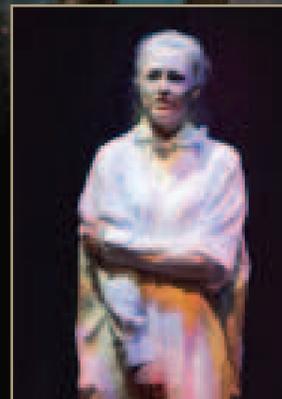
## THE WESTHOLME SENIOR SCHOOL PRODUCTION OF A CHRISTMAS CAROL SAW DICKENS' CLASSIC BROUGHT TO LIFE

Audiences were wowed by the amazing set and Victorian costumes as the curtain lifted.

The cast was split across all three shows with the leading roles extremely impressive. The traditional tale was told through a dramatic yet sometimes humorous narrative and had

all the elements of a classic Christmas tale complete with snow falling from the sky! The audience were totally transfixed. There were some real highlights: Jacob Marley's ghost appearing to Ebenezer Scrooge, Tiny Tim's touching solo of Silent Night and the chilling ghost of Christmas Future.

The performance drew to a close with Scrooge's character having been transformed for the better. The whole cast gathered on stage to sing a rousing rendition of We Wish You a Merry Christmas. Theatre-goers left in a fabulously festive Christmas mood.



## TERM DATES

### SPRING TERM 2014

Wednesday 8th January - Wednesday 2nd April

#### HALF TERM

Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February inclusive

### SUMMER TERM 2014

Thursday 24th April - Friday 11th July

**BANK HOLIDAY** - Monday 5th May

#### HALF TERM

Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May inclusive

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### AUTUMN TERM 2014

Wednesday 3rd September - Wednesday 17th December

#### HALF TERM

Monday 20th October - Friday 31st October inclusive

### SPRING TERM 2015

Wednesday 7th January - Wednesday 25th March

#### HALF TERM

Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February inclusive

### SUMMER TERM 2015

Tuesday 14th April - Wednesday 8th July

**BANK HOLIDAY** - Monday 4th May

#### HALF TERM

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May inclusive

## RAWCLIFFES UNIFORM SHOP

During the Christmas holidays, the uniform shop will be closed on Wednesday 18th December 2013 until Wednesday 1st January 2014 (inclusive). It will re-open on Saturday 4th January 2014.

Outside of these hours, contact can be made through the Southport shop on 01704 533394.

Uniform can be purchased on line: [www.schoolwearsolutions.com](http://www.schoolwearsolutions.com)  
User Name: **Westholme** Password: **1923**

## WESTHOLME SPORTS' CLUB OPENING TIMES CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

(Christmas Holidays Saturday 21st December  
– Tuesday 7th January 2014, inclusive)

Please note, during the Christmas holidays, the swimming pool and sports hall will be open for all normal Sports' Club opening times on 20th December. No facilities will be available between 21st December 2013 and 2nd January 2014. The facilities will re-open after the Christmas break on Friday 3rd January 2014.

In addition to normal Sports Club opening times, extra sessions will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 2pm and 4pm.

## OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Westholme School's offices will be closed from lunchtime on Friday 20 December 2013 and will re-open on Thursday 2nd January 2014.

## OPEN DAYS 2014

### SATURDAY 8TH MARCH

10am - 1pm - Senior School & Rugby Skills

### SATURDAY 26TH APRIL

10am - 12noon - Infant & Junior Schools

### SATURDAY 4TH OCTOBER

10am - 2pm - Whole school

Please note that the Westholme website  
([www.westholmeschool.com](http://www.westholmeschool.com))  
has an up-to-date calendar of events.

Also, each school site has its own noticeboard  
where weekly activity sheets are posted.



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