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Brockington Bulletin April and May 2015 Edition



Mr Chris Southall
Principal

The big news this month is that we have raised over £7,000 towards the Nicholls Spinal Injury Foundation. This was achieved by pupils and members of staff alike, who came together for our annual fun run. This is an amazing achievement and I know it is very much appreciated by Claire Lomas and everyone connected with NSIF. The £20,000 that we have raised in three years has supported a medical breakthrough in the fight to beat paralysis. It may soon be possible that life changing injuries can be reversed and in the future we may be able to look back and know that we were all a big part of this breakthrough. Ms Wyeth was again responsible for organising the event and deserves great credit for the impact that she has had. Please take the time to look for your son or daughter amongst the many photographs, taken by Mr Jones and Mr Spencer, which are on the school website.

Our next major event will be 'Alice in Wonderland', performed by pupils after the half-term holiday. Rehearsals are sounding and looking brilliant and I would encourage you to enjoy an inspiring night out, by supporting this event.

The changes that the school has made to the Uniform Policy for 2015-16 will have been forwarded to parents/carers, by the time you receive this bulletin. All changes have been made with a view to achieving a uniform that balances a smart and appropriate appearance against the need for pupils to feel comfortable and ready to learn. We appreciate that we will never have a uniform that is exactly what everyone would choose, but we have taken a

considerable amount of time to consult everyone followed by discussion at governing body level. Please demonstrate your support for the college and our uniform by ensuring that your child meets the uniform requirements daily and you verbally support the uniform with your children. This will mean that we can then concentrate on our core purpose as a school, learning, as we begin the next phase in the history of Brockington College.

Polite Reminder

Please could we remind parents and pupils that nail varnish should not be worn in school. This includes artificial nails and the gel nails such as Shellac. Pupils will be asked to remove nail varnish if necessary.

Any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact one of the pastoral team.

	Year 9	Year 8	Year 7
Head of Year	Mrs Dobbins	Miss Heggs	Mr Clark
Pastoral Manager	Mrs Heath	Mrs Wright	Mrs Robinson



Open Mic Night

The music department's next Open Mic Night will take place on Tuesday 19 May at 6.30 pm.

Bring a picnic tea and be entertained by the amazing talent of our young musicians.

Tickets are on sale for £3.00 each from the Music Department and can also be purchased on the door. Miss Styles



Year 7 Big Sing

On Friday 1 May Year 7 took part in their second Big Sing. This involved all of Year 7 learning to sing Stand By Me by Ben E. King and then performing it as a year group in assembly. To really test their vocal skills and listening we decided to divide them into Houses and split the sections of the song between them. They sounded great and all enjoyed the experience.

Their next whole year group singing will be in a few weeks when we hold our annual House Sing Offs! Miss Styles

Donated Items Science Department Open Evening 2013

If any parents donated electrical /electronic items to the Science Department for use at the open evening in 2013 and would like them back, please let Mrs Banton know by email smb@brockington.leics.sch.uk or by calling the school.

Items will be passed on to other causes if requests to return have not been made by Friday 5 June 2015.
Many thanks, Mrs Banton (Science Technician)



Brockington College Library The Owl Newsletter



To view please visit:- http://www.brockington.leics.sch.uk/literacy_blog/

Library Homework and Revision After School Club

Need to complete your homework or revise for exams?

This free club gives you the opportunity to do just that! Complete homework or revise for exams in a friendly, quiet environment with full use of books and IT equipment available to support your work

Time: 3.10 pm – 4.00 pm
When: Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

Who: All year groups Where: The Library

If you wish to attend, please visit the library the day before to book your place, with Miss Cottis

Limited availability: There is a maximum of 20 places available each day

Mainstream Home to School Transport Application Forms for 2015-2016 Academic Year

The **Mainstream** school transport application form will be available online from Wednesday 1 April 2015 by following the link below:-

Mainstream Students

http://www.leics.gov.uk/school_college_transport.htm

- Assisted Transport for 16-19 Year Old Students (Years 12 and 13)
- Fare paying Places on School Buses
- Assisted Transport for Leicestershire pupils (under 16) attending Voluntary Aided Schools (only for those students that are currently eligible and returning to the same school)

The closing date for receiving all mainstream application forms back at County Hall is **Friday 26 June 2015**.

Summer Musical

Rehearsals are going really well for this year's musical. All the pupils are working hard and the backstage department have begun making sets and costume.



This year's musical will be performed on Tuesday 16, Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 June, starting at 7.00 pm. Tickets will be on sale from Monday 1 June from the Music Department priced at £5.00 for adults and £4.00 for concessions. We look forward to seeing many of you there! Miss Styles

Help shape support for children and young people with SEND



We are seeking the views of families of children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and professionals who support them to help improve the support we offer online.

The Local Offer is a webpage about SEND support and we are inviting families and professionals to tell us what information they would like to be included, by attending either of the following sessions starting in June 2015:

- Wednesday 3rd June 2015 from 10am – 12.30pm at County Hall, Glenfield, LE3 8RA in a small group session, or at
- Individual sessions on Wednesday 3rd June 2015 from 1pm - 4pm or Thursday 4th June 2015 throughout the day at County Hall, Glenfield, LE3 8RA. Individual sessions will last no longer than an hour.

If you would like the opportunity to give your views on either of these dates, or to be told about future opportunities - contact:
Alison Barnes on 0116 305 0888, email leicestershirelocaloffer@leics.gov.uk or visit www.leics.gov.uk/local_offer and fill in a short survey.



Fun Run Friday 24 April



Claire Lomas, who melted many hearts walking the 2012 London Marathon in a 'Bionic suit', visited the college on 16 April. She spoke about how her life had changed since an accident had left her paralysed in 2007. She also spoke about the recent break through in research towards a cure for paralysis and her fundraising to support the Nicholls Spinal Injury Foundation (NSIF) who are leading the way in this break through in science.



We held our Fun Run a week later. This was voluntary and over 850 of our pupils took part which was brilliant. Some walked, some ran, some crawled, but a fantastic time was had by all and Claire Lomas returned to cheer everyone on. Fancy dress was optional and there were some awesome outfits on display.

The top fundraisers received a signed copy of Claire's autobiography "Finding My Feet".

The pupils who received books were;

Sophie Breward, Lois Pickering, Lucy Foster, Ria Mackness, Ed McGuigan, Will Potter, Gursharon Kaur, Erin Saunders, Ishveer Virdee, Daisie Litchfield, Jessica Lapworth, Ellie-Mai Webster and Josh Robertshaw.



The fund raising collected amounts to £6,714.50 plus gift aid collected so far by Brockington College pupils and staff.

Many thanks to all those who took part and the generosity of family and friends in supporting this brilliant cause.

Ms Wyeth



Literacy Stars of the Month

Please visit our literacy blog on http://www.brockington.leics.sch.uk/literacy_blog to view our Literacy Stars of the Month. Thank you.

Designer of the Month

Every month the Design Department selects a student who has shown exceptional creative and design talent. This month congratulations to:

Elizabeth Burt (7B)

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Brockington Youth Tackle Tobacco through Film Competition

Young people from Brockington College have made an anti-smoking short film called No Refunds for the Leicestershire Cut Films 2015 Short Film Competition.

The competition asks young people to research smoking, make a short film about it for their friends, upload to the Cut Films Website and share it on their social media. It's their take on the issues associated with the dangers of smoking.

The films will be voted for by both the public for a special 'Popular Choice' award as well as a 'Judges' Choice' award made up of a panel of film and tobacco control experts.

The Deborah Hutton Campaign was set up in memory of Deborah Hutton who was health editor at Vogue for over 20 years. In 2004 Deborah Hutton was diagnosed with Stage IV advanced lung cancer. She died eight months later aged just 49. Deborah smoked when she a teenager, tried her first cigarette when she was 12, smoked regularly from 17 and gave up aged 24.

Cut Films Director Emma Wrafter said: "It's a fact that two-thirds of smokers start smoking before the age of 18. When we still have 100,000 people dying each year in the UK from smoking related illnesses, talking to young people about the risks is vital. Congratulations to the young people from Brockington College for making the film and good luck in the competition!"

To vote for the film go to www.cutfilms.org and press the vote button and search for No Refunds in the Leicestershire Cut Films section.

Mrs Thorpe

Parent Governor Update

Hello again from the parent governors – the update this month is from Paul Johnson.

To remind you all there are four parents that are part of the Brockington Governing Body – Philippa Graham, Helen Gleave, Umesh Patel and Paul Johnson.

Learning Walks:

The parent governors have taken part in several “learning walks” around the college where we’re able to see teaching and learning at first hand by dropping by a variety of lessons in a number of subject areas.

These visits are important for the governors as they allow us to get a better feel for teaching techniques used and also what lessons are really like at Brockington. Things have certainly improved a lot from when I was at secondary school in the 70/80s!

In my own learning walk I visited lessons in ICT and Drama - I was really impressed with the innovation used by the teachers and how calm and attentive the pupils were in class. The pupils were very much at ease speaking to the governors who were there and seemed to be enjoying the lessons I attended. The governors will continue to have more learning walks so we can keep up to date on lessons at Brockington.

Uniform:

Hopefully all parents had chance to participate in the recent survey of views around possible changes to college uniform. All views sent in were shared with the Governing Body and hopefully you are all now aware of the outcome.

Governors understand that it’s important for the staff in school not to spend lots of their time chasing up pupils whose uniform is not abiding by the rules. We understand that having a uniform ordered from a single supplier will make it easier to ensure everyone sticks to the uniform policy and we know that support from all parents around keeping to this policy would be greatly appreciated by all members of staff.

E-Safety Website:

I’m sure all parents are keen to ensure that their children are safe when using online apps, websites, social media etc, and any help and advice with E-Safety is welcomed.

The college has recently revamped its E-Safety website with a bigger focus on parents as the end user – the site is here: <http://www.brockington.leics.sch.uk/e-safety/> - we would encourage all parents to take a look and update their knowledge of how to keep their children safe.

If you would like to contact any of the parent governors, please do so by telephoning the college and asking for Louise Nixon (Clerk to the Governors).

Paul Johnson– Parent Governor

E-Safety Update



66% of students say parents are not interested in their online activity”

“33% of students have over 200 friends on social media networks”

“60% of students have no filtering on their primary internet connection”

These were just some of the startling results to come out of this year’s annual E-safety survey carried out by students at the college, and have prompted us to investigate and improve upon the ways we engage with parents on the topic of E-safety.

Whilst we make every effort to keep students safe online when using the school’s IT facilities, and provide them with the knowledge and skills to make safe and responsible decisions to make sure they safeguard themselves, we also strongly emphasise the parents’ role in ensuring they are protected from the murkier sides of the internet when at home.

To help bridge the digital divide between parents and children we have:

- Developed a brand new E-safety portal at <http://www.brockington.leics.sch.uk/e-safety> which is rammmed full of useful information and jargon busting guides detailing the latest threats children may face.
- Launched our new ‘Ask an Expert’ service. If you have a specific query with anything E-safety related, no matter how big or small, drop us an email and we will get back to you with any information and links we think you will find useful
- Began working with the Leicestershire BeatSafe team to target specific, relevant and up to the minute E-safety sessions with pupils, staff and parents/carers.

Lunch Loan Vouchers

Should your child forget their lunch or catering top-up, we will endeavour to contact you and request your permission to give them a voucher, if you are unable to ‘top up’ their account.

This voucher must be paid back the next school day. Payment will be automatically taken from your child’s catering account as soon as it is ‘topped up’.

Voice It

As a result of our ‘Anti-Bullying Survey’ back in 2012 we launched two new ‘Voice It’ systems to make it easier for pupils to log concerns about bullying, anti-social behaviour and any other concerns they may have in and around the college. The systems have proven to be highly successful and are used on a regular basis. To find out more, or to log a concern, please visit <http://goo.gl/j4SI4n>.

Summary of Issues this year

- 2 Issues within lessons: Dealt with by Head of Year/Pastoral Manager
- 5 Peer issues: Dealt with by Head of Year/Pastoral Manager
- 5 Issues of raising concern for other pupils: Dealt with by Head of Year/Pastoral Manager

Parents As Partners

Please take a few minutes to have a look over our newly created ‘Parents as Partners’ blog to get the latest information on what you can do to help your child.

To view the latest tips please visit <http://goo.gl/AeIWOC>

Spiritual Reflection

Each week, pupils spend time in form and assembly spiritually reflecting on our theme, value and word of the week.

To find out more about the themes this half-term, or what our pupils are doing in spiritual reflection please visit <http://goo.gl/3SKTS8>

Term Dates

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Autumn Term			
School Opens		1 September 2015	30 August 2016
Mid-term Break		19 - 23 October 2015	17- 21 October 2016
School Closes		18 December 2015	16 December 2016
Spring Term			
School Opens		5 January 2016	4 January 2017
Mid-term Break		15 - 19 February 2016	13 -17 February 2017
School Closes		23 March 2016	7 April 2017
Summer Term			
School Opens		11 April 2016	24 April 2017
May Day		2 May 2016	1 May 2017
Mid-term Break	25 May - 29 May 2015	30 May - 3 June 2016	29 May - 2 June 2017
School Closes	10 July 2015	15 July 2016	13 July 2017

Please note that these term dates have been agreed and will be the same as all primary schools in our catchment area, other than for Danemill Primary which has chosen two alternative dates in 2015/2016

Dates for the Diary

Parent Forum Meeting	Tuesday	16 June 2015	7.00 pm
Year 9 Commemoration Evening	Wednesday	1 July 2015	7.00 pm
New Year 7 (2015/2016) Welcome Day	Monday	6 July 2015	
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Year 10 Induction Days at Brockington College	Monday 6 July to Friday 10 July 2015		
Behaviour for Learning Reward Trips <i>(Invitation Only)</i>			
Year 7 and 8	Monday	6 July 2015	
Year 9	Thursday	9 July 2015	

Achievements

Leicester Open Judo Championships

Madeleine English (9T) took part in the Leicester Open Judo Championships on Saturday 25 April. Entrants came from all over England and some from France! She won Gold in her weight category for under 15's and fought really well. She is taking part in the Nationals this weekend in Kettering.



National Poetry Competition

Klarissa Mistry won first prize recently in a national poetry competition with her first poem created at Poetry Club, running Tuesday lunchtimes. As a result, Klarissa went to meet nationally acclaimed poet Wendy Cope to receive her prize. Congratulations to Klarissa- if you would like to read her winning poem, 'My Village,' it is on display in the library.

Swimming Results

Headline: Cole Lee (8L) takes four gold medals and Thomas Christie-Smith (9K) takes two silver medals in the Scottish National Swimming Championships held in Aberdeen (31 March - 4 April 2015)

Cole who swims for the City of Leicester club along with Thomas Christie-Smith (9K) travelled with their squad to Aberdeen to take part in the Scottish Nationals. Cole and Thomas who train seven times a week produced some splendid performances and came home with the medals in this high quality event. In his age group Cole won the 50 m, 100 m and 200 m back crawl events and was a member of the 400 m Individual Medley relay team that also won the gold. Thomas took silver in the 100 m and 200 m back crawl races and was 5th in the 50 m back crawl in the 15 and under age category.

Cole is currently ranked 2nd in the British rankings in the 100 m and 200 m back crawl in his age group. He and Thomas will be aiming to secure a place in the British Nationals later in the Summer.

Midland Swimming Championships

The Midland Regional Youth Swimming Championships took place over the bank holiday weekend at Corby. Two of our swimmers took part. Thomas Christie-Smith (9K) continued his good form from the Scottish Nationals. He was runner up in the 400 m individual Medley and 3rd in the 200 m backstroke. Thomas had a great weekend making it through to six finals and finishing in the top six in all of them.

Hannah White (9T) also had a good Championship. Hannah who represents the City of Leicester Swimming club finished 5th in the 200 m breaststroke and 6th in the 100 m breast stroke.

School Values Trip: Team Spirit



100 Year 7, 8 and 9 pupils visited Croft Farm Park in Gloucestershire to complete a variety of team building activities to promote our Brockington School Values. We completed a range of team building activities from raft building to sensory trails and fencing.

As you can see by the photos, the pupils had a fantastic day!

We will be awarding some pupils with commendations for showing our school values in action and certificates will be presented to all pupils in assembly for completing the day.



We will be offering this trip again next year for all pupils. Mrs McKenzie



Leicester Outdoor Pursuits Centre

On Friday 1 May students went on our annual visit to Leicester Outdoor Pursuits Centre. The trip was a reward for those pupils who have maintained 100% attendance so far this year and have also recorded the highest A2Ls for their year group. The lucky students were selected at random from a long list of those who were eligible. Four students



were selected from each year group to take part.

The day started with an aerial trek, around the assault course suspended in mid-air. It was a real test of nerves, particularly for those afraid of heights. The next stop was a session on bush craft, where the group learnt how to survive in the wild and even had a go at lighting their own fires using natural materials.



After a quick lunch break the team ended the day on the zip wire, and had competitions to see who could hit a target on the move. Lots of fun was had by all, and we look forward to the next trip.

Miss Heggs

Living for Sport Mentor - Anthony Clark Visits Brockington College

Brockington College was fortunate to have the first of their two visits from Anthony Clark, our Living for Sport Mentor. Anthony, who has now retired from international badminton, has gained over 100 caps for England, 7 Commonwealth Medals, 2 World Championship medals and represented Great Britain at two Olympic Games.



A group of pupils were selected to meet Anthony and were excited to be able to have the opportunity to play badminton and take away some really helpful tips from him. The pupils really enjoyed their experience and after interviewing Anthony and watching a video on how he achieved his goals, they each wrote comments on their morning.

- 'Anthony inspired me to achieve shots that I couldn't do before.'
- 'I have learnt to improve the power of my smash and how to increase my reactions when playing badminton. I have enjoyed everything in the badminton session and it helped me to develop my skills even more.'
- 'It was very inspiring to see Anthony Clark it was fun and an enjoyable experience.'
- 'We did different exercises and he taught us really well, it was fun and remarkable. He is an amazing badminton player. I had a fantastic time and am glad I got to meet him, he definitely inspired us all.'

Miss Reynolds





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ONLINE WEBCHAT

Residents of Narborough, Enderby, Littlethorpe and the Fosse Park area are invited to join an online webchat, where you can ask members of your Dedicated Neighbourhood Team questions about policing in your local area.

Date: Tuesday 26th May

Time: 6.30pm – 7.30pm

You can join the webchat through our website:

<http://www.leics.police.uk/>

To access the webchat please click on the green webchat logo towards the bottom of the page.

Or Google: Leicestershire Police Webchat



Contact Details
For more information contact your neighbourhood team on 101
visit our website at www.leics.police.uk



Sainsbury's Active Kids 2015 Vouchers

Well done to all those who handed in Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers. We are just in the process of counting them all up and sorting out our order.

A huge thank you to all those who donated their vouchers.



Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies

We are looking for several Lunchtime Supervisors to join our existing team. Candidates must be able to work for 1.5 hours during lunchtime per day Monday to Friday

Hours 7.5 hours per week x 38 weeks per annum
Actual salary £2,240- £2,386 per annum

Please visit the vacancies section of our website for an application form www.brockington.leics.sch.uk

Adult Learning at Brockington

We offer a variety of daytime and evening classes for adults in the following curriculum areas: Living for Wellbeing, Arts, Languages, Skills for Life, ICT and ESOL.

ADULT LEARNERS WEEKS 13-20 June 2015

Taster Sessions available at:

Braunstone Civic Centre - Thursday 18 June (0116 2867944)

Are you ready for GCSE Maths/English Free 5 hour taster courses
English - Thursday 11 and 18 June
6.30 pm to 9.00 pm at Brockington

Maths - Tuesday 23 and 30 June
6.30 pm to 9.00 pm at
Wigston Library (0800 988 0308)

FREE ENGLISH, MATHS AND ICT courses (subject to terms and conditions). Up to 100% discount on courses for those in receipt of certain benefits. For more information or to enrol please call 0116 2867944 or 0800 988 0308 or visit www.leics.gov.uk/golearn

Artificial Grass Pitch

Our full size 3G pitch can be used for football and training for a range of sports and is fully floodlit and covered by CCTV. The rubber crumb pitch is available to hire any evening of the week, (where spaces in the timetable permit) for casual pay and play use, as well as weekly team training. The pitch can be hired by the third or in its entirety, (our thirds are approximately three times the size of some operators' small sided pitches). We also hire out the facility on Saturday and Sunday too if you need a surface that won't get muddy in winter! Whether you want a pitch for a one off football game or need a pitch to train on a weekly basis, we offer competitive prices and a state of the art playing surface to suit your sporting needs.

For more information, please contact Steve Buck
(lettings@brockington.leics.sch.uk) or 0116 286 3722 for availability and prices.

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Performing Arts

Here at Brockington College, we recognise the importance that learning to play a musical instrument can have on a young adult. It can help to promote a sense of self-discipline, self-esteem and enhance self-expression/creativity. We, therefore, encourage as many pupils as possible to start to learn a musical instrument. If you are interested in booking lessons for your child, then please contact the teacher of the instrument you are interested in. They will then send out their information and contracts in order to start lessons with them. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Styles at the school on 0116 286 3722 or via email ses@brockington.leics.sch.uk

Department Stars

In celebration of all the hard work and commitment of our pupils we have decided to award two pupils each month as our Star and Rising Star.

Star: Robyn Baker (9N) - Fantastic Mad Hatter and excellent contributions in class
Rising Star: Tyler Dunnan (9L) - Fantastic White Rabbit and excellent contributions in class

Orchestra

Every Tuesday in Room 022 from 3.30 - 4.30 pm.
 Open to all musicians.
 See Miss Styles or Miss Pilgrim for more information.

Drama Club

Every Tuesday in the Drama Studio 3.10 - 4.10 pm.
 Open to any Year 9 pupils interested in developing their performance skills. See Mrs Hawthorne for more info.

Extra-Curricular Activities

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Break	Practice rooms available for <u>all musicians</u> wishing to practice				
Lunch	Vocal rehearsals for Alice in Wonderland		Practice rooms available for musicians to rehearse		
After School	Department Closed	Brockington Orchestra Year 9 Drama Club	Music Theory Club 024 Alice in Wonderland	Practice rooms musicians rehearse and Alice in Wonderland cast	

Instrument	Name of Teacher	Contact Details
Flute	Ms Teresa Bexon	01455 239373 07791 456054 tjbmusic@talktalk.net
Keyboard/Piano	Mr Ian Maw	ianmaw@tiscali.co.uk
Drum Kit	Mr Adam Stringer	07941 549962
Guitar (Electric/Bass/Classical)	Mr Dave Jobson	0116 2920622 07948 402728 guitarlessons@tiscali.co.uk
Singing	Ms Sarah Woodall	saz.woodall@ntlworld.com
Clarinet/Saxophone	Mr Patrick White	patrickjwhitemusicteacher@hotmail.co.uk
Violin/Viola	Ms Sally Smith	sasviolinviola@hotmail.co.uk
Ukulele	Mr Mark Ferraby	07901 560215 mark@littleredtruck.co.uk
Cornet, Trombone, Baritone, French Horn	Mr Matt Davis	07928 192650 mattdavisbrass@gmail.com

Sports Results

Football Results - Year 9 County Cup

	Quarter Final		Semi Final	
Brockington	7	Quorn Rawlins	1	Brookvale High School
				3
				Brockington
				2

Athletics Results

Track And Field Cup Athletics Competition Saffron Lane Thursday 14 May 2015

Brockington took four teams (52 pupils) to the Leicestershire round of this national event. The weather was cold and wet and not ideal for running, throwing and jumping.

The junior girls team (Year 8) were our most successful team finishing 2nd (with 220 points) behind Bushloe High School (251 points) and followed by Kibworth (170 points) in 3rd place. The intermediate girls finished 6th out of 8 teams.

The junior boys finished 4th out of 7 teams and the intermediate boys also finished 6th out of 8 teams. The competition works with teams accumulating points for their performances. The highest points scorers were Maddy Burnham 29 points, Eve Newman 25 points, Dylan Parrish 30 points, Tia Vyas 26 points, Alice Hewitt 27 points, Jamal Brown 27 points.

There were individual wins for Jamal Brown (110m & Discus), Josh Saunders (Hurdles), Charlie Combey (1500m), Beth Hoey (Javelin)

Well done to all the athletes who took part in this competition. Next events: The Area Sports will take place on Tuesday 9 June (10.00 am-3.00 pm) at Saffron Lane and then the County Sports will follow on Saturday 13 June. Pupils successful in the Area Sports will go forward to represent the Area (Mid Leicestershire) at the County Sports.

Connor Harris Shooting Achievements



Over the Easter weekend Connor Harris entered two national shooting competitions at Nottingham and District Gun Club. Approximately 100 of the country's top shooters turned up for the first two major competitions of the season, the Handicap by Distance DTL shoot. This is a deliberately harder event than his normal shooting and not something he had practised before. Connor shoots in the Under 16 ('Colts') category so he is generally shooting against competitors much older than himself.

Easter Sunday was the English Open, where Connor managed to win a silver medal in Colts. On the following day, Bank Holiday Monday, it was the British Open. Scores on the second day were generally higher than the previous day so despite Connor shooting a higher score on Monday, this was not enough to win. However it was good enough to secure 4th in the Colts category. Well done Connor! Two top four finishes in his first national competitions is a great achievement. Connor is also the current holder of the Leicestershire and Rutland Colts DTL title, which he hopes to defend later this year. He also shoots, with his brother, for the Leicestershire & Rutland DTL junior (under 21) team.

