

# HEALING HOTLINE

## HEALING SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

### Message from the Principal

Dear Parent/Friend of Healing School,

Please enjoy reading about the wonderful activities our wonderful pupils have been involved with this half term.

I wish you all a Happy Easter .

**Mrs A Addison**



Pictured above: The official opening of the new administration block

### Forthcoming Events Next Half Term

- 18<sup>th</sup> April - Year 7 Parents' evening
- 25<sup>th</sup> April - "Say Two" Theatre - History Group
- 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> May - "Shakespeare and Stuff" 7pm
- 3<sup>rd</sup> May - "Say Two" Theatre - History Group
- 8th May - (May Day)
- 12<sup>th</sup> May - Saturday Revision – Year 11 Languages
- 14th May - Prep for Working Life exam
- 14<sup>th</sup> May - French (Listening) exam
- 16<sup>th</sup> May - Food Tech Exam
- 17th May - French (Reading) exam
- 17<sup>th</sup> May - Religious Studies Exam
- 19<sup>th</sup> May - Saturday Revision Year 11 Literature
- 21<sup>st</sup> May - Spanish (Listening) Exam
- 21st May - Biology Exam
- 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Literature (Resits)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Religious Studies exam
- 23<sup>rd</sup> May - "Support Your Child's Learning in Maths"
- 24<sup>th</sup> May - Chemistry Exam
- 24<sup>th</sup> May - Literature Exam
- 25<sup>th</sup> May - Spanish (Reading) Exam
- 28<sup>th</sup> May - Child Development Exam
- 30<sup>th</sup> May - Physics Exam

### Schools Partnership Launch Event

The launch of a ground-breaking partnership between the region's best schools has been hailed as a "hugely significant" development for local education. The Humber Teaching School, which will be based here at Healing Academy, will bring together the region's highest performing educational establishments to help raise teaching standards across the area.

Part of a major Government policy initiative, Healing is one of just 57 secondary schools in the country to be given Teaching School status by the Department of Education.

The launch event also coincided with the opening of Healing's newly-built administration block.



Deputy Madam Mayor, Melanie Dickerson , Mrs Addison (Principal), Martin Vickers (MP), Tony Beach (Chair of Governors) and Miss S O'Hare (Associate Principal)

### Year 8's Parents' Evening

There was an excellent attendance of 93% for this really important event which was combined with the Learning Pathways' Evening.

Date of Next Parents' Evening :

18th April (Year 7)

**Wonderful World of Science**

SCIENCE came alive at a special event recently organised by the Science Department. Year 5 pupils and their parents experienced practical activities and learnt skills needed for the future during the evening of Wednesday, 21st March.

Those from Healing, Keelby, Stallingborough, Wybers Wood, Great Coates and Laceby Stanford primary schools were all invited to the "Support Your Child's Learning in Science" event.

Parents were shown how modern science lessons were built around "investigations" and were given an insight into the questions pupils were asked to consider. The "stars of the show" were undoubtedly the Year 7 pupils, who led on the practical activities and thoroughly enjoyed teaching the young visitors.

Next Event for Year 5 : Support Your Child's Learning in Mathematics 23rd May

Miss Crosby



Pictured above: Year 5's taking part in a Science experiment

**Young Reporters Take Note...**

Cleethorpes Chronicle editor and co-owner Nigel Lowther, one of the most prominent journalistic figures in the local area, gave a select number of pupils the honour



of receiving tuition on his specific techniques relating to writing in "journalese."

The term "journalese" relates to the specific codes and conventions of language used in journalism. The presentation revolved around the delivery of the "Top Ten Journalese Tips," aimed at increasing the quality of written articles.

Alongside Mr Lowther's presentation, the meeting also served to generate interest in Healing School's own Hotline Online team; anyone wishing to join the team should see Mr Allenby or Mr King for details.

The Hotline Online team would like to thank Nigel Lowther for taking time out of his busy schedule to deliver his presentation to us – the consensus of our members was a very positive one, each of the attending individuals found the event worthwhile. - Thomas Herring, Year 11



Pictured above: Mrs Watcham, Megan Henson, Melissa Taylor and

**Year 9 GCSE Food Technology Chartwells Sandwich Challenge**

Year 9 GCSE Food Technology pupils have been working on a 'real-life' product development project this term, having been set the challenge of designing a new dream sandwich to sell in the school canteen. Craig Bland, Area Manager for Chartwells, our school meals provider, launched the project back in February. Pupils were given their brief and information on the Government nutritional guidelines which the sandwich had to fit. They then went away to develop the perfect product. This involved pupils undertaking a wide range of research and then producing and testing their product in class, coming up with a winner from each group. Rachel Nixon's 'Ham Sub', Chloe Randle and Billie-Mai Elliott's 'Bacon & Cucumber Roll', Melissa Taylor and Megan Henson's 'Tex Mex Chicken Fajita' and Lily Hartley and Alice Brumpton's 'Chicken, Lettuce and Cucumber Wrap' were then sold in the school canteen for two days each, supported by the advertising the pupils had produced. First place overall went to the Tex Mex Chicken Fajita, based upon the higher level of information included. This product will now be available to buy on a regular basis as it is going to be added to Chartwell's menu in Healing School.

A very successful project that gave pupils a taste of the real world whilst working towards their GCSE specification.

Mrs H M Watcham, Food Technology Teacher.

# World Book Day - Thursday 1st March 2012

## Healing's Reading

We all understand the importance of literacy and English skills in all aspects of life, both in and out of school. With studies showing that reading as a leisure activity tends to increase an individual's performance in these areas, it's no surprise that the English department was keen to get us all reading for World Book Day.

Spearheading the project was Miss Woods, who wasted no time in making the staff aware and encouraged teachers to participate in the planned event. On World Book Day teaching staff were asked to read an extract from their favourite book and generate some discussion of the reading habits amongst the groups they taught. This produced an array of fantastic choices, from maintenance manuals to the most far-fetched fictional titles! There was also a competition to see who could find out the favourite choice of as many teaching and non-teaching staff as possible, resulting in a flurry of activity.

One particular passage that proved popular amongst a number of pupils was a section from 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. Read by Mr Biglands, the passage showed the true magic of the English language!

## Witches , Ghouls and Ghostly Matters!

William Hussy, an extraordinary author, recently came to Healing School. During his visit he performed a reading; a passage from his first novel that intrigued his entire audience of Year 9 pupils. He delivered an excellent narration and definitely gave us all a shock!

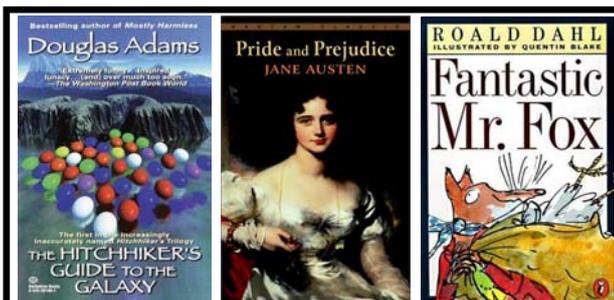
He read about an extremely interesting and supposed mythological category, upon which his books were based. Witchcraft was apparently rife during the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> century, and this was the timeline around which the role-play was based. The role-play consisted of someone (in this case Charlie Kingston!) being charged with Witchcraft. The character was sent through a series of "tests" to prove that the convicted person was actually a witch, all of which would've been believed during the time period.

Later, William Hussy gave us advice on creating our own stories. We also designed an exemplar story and characters, which was extremely enjoyable.

Overall, myself and the majority of people I asked thoroughly enjoyed the experience. - Adam Pusey, Year 9

## Congratulations to the winners of the world book day competition:

Year 7—Bethany Hardy  
Year 8 - Emily Bradley  
Year 9 - Josh Bray  
Year 10 - Ariana Weeden  
Year 11 - Luke Jarratt



### Teachers' top three books revealed...

1. The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy written by Douglass Adams.
2. Pride and Prejudice written by Jane Austen
3. Fantastic Mr. Fox written by Roald Dahl



Pictured above: William Hussy with year 9 pupils



Pictured above: Evie Henderson, Charlie Kingston and Ryan Ashworth during the 'witchcraft trial'

## Sports

Sports Relief

Thank you to everyone for all your support with raising money for Sports Relief. Through the Sports Relief Mile, rowing competition and the lunch time activities we raised a fantastic £330.26. I would like to say a big thank you to Mr King, Tammy Spencer, 4B6 and the PE department for organising this very successful event.

Well Done

Miss Sass

Netball Champs!

Both the Year 7 and Year 8 Netball teams were undefeated in recent local tournaments making both teams Grimsby and District Champions. The year 8's breezed through their 10 matches to win the tournament by an impressive margin with some fantastic shooting shown by Alexia Koliandris and Ellie Palmer. They worked brilliantly as a team showing great determination and team spirit. Two year 7 teams entered the tournament with the A team coming 1st and the B team coming 7th out of 12 teams. Both teams demonstrated outstanding skill and were superb representatives of Healing School. The A team dominated the tournament and throughout the 11 matches scored 92 goals and conceded only 3 - an extremely impressive result! Well done to all involved.



Pictured above: staff and pupils enjoying the many activities held for Sports Relief

Dance Show Case - Junior High Flyers

Well done to the Junior High Flyers who performed in The Regional Dance Show Case, held at the Baths Hall Scunthorpe, on Wednesday 28th March. The girls performed an outstanding routine, with a range of dance choreography, impressive lifts, gymnastics skills and an abundance of energy and enthusiasm.

Well Done

Mrs Yeadon

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