



Friday, 24th June 2016



ROKEBY RECORDER

DARE TO BE THE BEST

Sightseeing at the Somme

Last Friday saw the humanities department take 29 year 9 students to the Somme region in France to commemorate 100 years since the famous battle that took the lives of around 150,000 British soldiers. Students were able to gain a real insight about the Great War from visiting Lochnagar Crater (the lasting reminder of the impact of mine explosions). Mark said, "It was a great reminder of how catastrophic war can be". We also visited Thiepval Memorial to the missing and Poziers Memorial. Fardin said, "It really brought home the amount of casualties during the war". Students were also able to experience what trench warfare might have been like by visiting Newfoundland Memorial Park. Mr Cole said, "It was incredible how close the trench systems were. It is very hard to imagine what the soldiers must have been thinking and feeling when they would have been easily able to see and hear the enemy trench." All of the students seemed to have an excellent time and were extremely well behaved. David said, "It was 10 out of 10!" Precious said, "It was amazing! 100 percent!" Thank you to all of the staff and students who made this trip possible!

Mr Cole



The Jack Petchey Award Winner for June is Mir Tahsin



It's not just that Mir knows how to talk to his peers and the adults around him-it's that his lack of ego and his ability to absorb and facilitate what others have to offer show the strength of his respect for himself. He is a genuinely unique young man and his peers are very, very lucky indeed to have him around.

Mr Canning

Our Values: Respect, Success, Passion for Learning, Personal Challenge, Harmony

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:
Life is for living, learning, succeeding, being.

Humanities Week



Last week Rokeby celebrated its first ever Humanities week. Year 7 and 8 students participated in cryptic quizzes and competitions. This required students to go around the school to search for clues to answer the 20 questions. The fortunate winners were:

Year 7 - Donatas Dragasius & Jan Surzykiewicz (Both 7E)

Year 8 - Owais Bobat (8E)

The boys were rewarded with boxes of chocolates!

The year 9s were lucky to take part in a range of externally run R.E sessions about their beliefs. The 'Three Faiths Forum' and the 'Art of Empathy' sessions were engaging and informative.

Furthermore Humanities staff took part in dressing up as historical characters! This saw Mr Cole dress up as the famous Richard the Lion Heart!

Last but not least Mr Cole, Mr Nketia, Ms Wayoe & Ms Lawson led a trip to France where students visited the graves of the soldiers who were killed during the Battle of the Somme. A moment they will treasure for the rest of their lives!

Ms V Padayachee

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tues, 28th June
Year 8 exams

Weds, 29th June
Year 9 exams

Fri, 1st July to Fri, 8th July
Year 10 exams

Tues, 12th July
Sports Day

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Did you know:

90% attendance = 1/2 day missed every week.

90% attendance over one school year = 4 whole weeks of missed lessons!

How is YOUR tutor group doing?

Congratulations this week go to:

7R with the best attendance at 98.3%
&

7B with the best punctuality at **99.6%**

Meeting for Parents of New Students

Has your son recently started at Rokeby School?

Come along on **Wednesday 29th June at 10am** and meet members of staff, find out more about how Rokeby School works and how you can support your son's learning.

This is a great opportunity to meet other parents, exchange ideas and ask any questions you may have.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Ms Rahman, Ms Abdulkadir and Ms Lawson.

WORD OF THE WEEK

This week our word of the week is

Subversive

Can you find the meaning of this word and make a sentence? Once you have, come to the library and see Ms Hendrickson for a merit.