

## Animals in Hands: Year 9



Once a year, Animals in Hands are invited to Landau Forte to show the Year 9 students various animals which come from the Rainforest. It is a unique day that Year 9 students look forward to each year and it's always a surprise to see what animals visit the Academy.



Amelia Kennelly and Kenya Taylor-Avery holding a Tree Frog

'It was interesting to feel. It felt very slimy as I had to keep my hand very still so it did not hop away.'

- Kenya Taylor-Avery



Tom Armitage, George Dennis and Mason Coleman holding a Python

'I found the animals fascinating. There was a Python, a Millipede, an African Snail, a Chameleon and other animals which were interesting to hold.'

- Amelia Kennelly

'The animals were cool. I had a millipede crawl across my arm and it felt like a thousand tiny massages! I also had a snake on my hand and it was exhilarating. It was a fun experience and I had a fun time. I would recommend this to any of my friends who haven't already experienced this.'

- Samuel Lawrence

The students enjoyed learning about the layers and different animals and insects found in each layer. Students love this workshop each year and are always asking what animals Mo will bring next year. I enjoyed holding the Python the most – I loved how it tried to wind its body around my arms. I've held the tarantula a few times now – so it doesn't scare me any more! Though I didn't fancy having it on my head or close to my face!

- Miss Fox,  
Curriculum Leader for Geography



Miss Fox holding a Red-Rump Tarantula



Samuel Lawrence holding a Millipede

'The students really enjoyed it and the day was a great success. It was incredibly helpful for the students to bring the rainforest to Tamworth, giving them a unique hands on experience.'

- Mr Wood,  
Geography Tutor/Vocational  
Co-ordinator



Mr Wood holding a Python

### 'British Values' mural

In our Reception, the students and our Art Team have been painting a 'British Values' mural. A competition was launched for students to design a mural filled with things that make us British, what is associated with Great Britain and things associated with British values. The winners of the competition were Kyle Hubball (L1-HJW), Kaiha Ford (L1-HJW) and Daniel Walsh (F1-NED), and the mural features parts of each of their designs such as a cup of tea (England is renowned for it's love of tea!), some Shamrock leaves (Northern Ireland), St. George's Dragon (Wales) and a Thistle (Scotland).



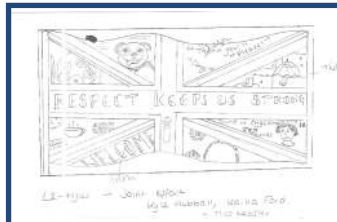
St. George's Dragon



St. George's Dragon



Daniel Walsh's winning entry



Kaiha Ford and Kyle Hubball's winning entry

### Our Local Food Bank

In our Gatherings we were looking at Advent, Christmas and helping those less fortunate around the festive time of year. We managed to collect an enormous amount of food which has been donated to the Glascote Food Bank. Thank you for all of your support and generosity in helping this cause.



### LRC Information

#### Book of the Month (January) - 'The Wonderful Wizard of Oz'

Celebrate the start of 2016 with something wonderful. Baum's brilliant story of a girl's journey from rural Kansas to Oz, a fantastic realm where anything seems possible. Perhaps your New Year's Resolutions could be inspired by Dorothy's quest?

A must read for fans of 'Alice's Adventures in Wonderland' that is available as an eBook and in print from the LRC.

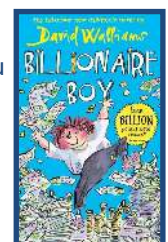


### Student Book Reviews

#### 'Billionaire Boy'

'This book is great! I loved it - you could read it over and over again and you would never ever get bored so go to the LRC and take the book out straight away!'

- Amy Prince



#### 'The Hunger Games'

'The Hunger Games is a book about a girl from District 12 named Katniss Everdeen. America was split into Districts after a war broke out but to keep peace they fight in an annual Hunger Games. People who are nominated as tribute fight to the death in an arena, last man standing. Overall, this book is absolutely fantastic and everyone should read it.'

- Owen Smith



## PE Information and Student Achievements

### BOYS BASKETBALL

#### Year 11 v QEMS 36-24 (lost)

**Team:** Owen Yorke, Callum Barrett, Jamie Hunt, Ryan McEvoy, Reinis Baltins, Daniel Lockwood, Ben Jones and Liam Brown

**Man of the Match:** Jamie Hunt

**Point scorers:** Jamie Hunt x8, Ben Jones x6, Daniel Lockwood x2, Reinis Baltins x2, Liam Brown x4, Ryan McEvoy x2

#### Year 9 v QEMS

**20-20**

**Team:** Callum Barrett, Kiaha Ford, Jamie Hunt, Liam Brown, Ryan Cousins, Owen Yorke, Josh Law

**Man of the Match:** Owen Yorke

**Point Scorers:** Owen Yorke x8, Jamie Hunt x3, Callum Barrett x2, Ryan Cousins x2

### BOYS FUTSAL v WILNECOTE

**Year 7/Year 8: Won 6-5**

**Team:** Jack Taft, George Yarwood, Dan Hallam, Harrison Davies, Ethan Bailey-Michie, Kai Reeve and Jae Stacey

**Goal Scorers:** Jae Stacey x2 Harrison Davies x2 Kai Reeve x2

**Year 9/Year 10: 3-3**

**Team:** Tommy Barnes, Kian Holden, Jay Gilbert, Charlie Pointon, Ryan Thorpe

**Goal Scorers -** Ryan Thorpe x2 Jay Gilbert x1

**Year 11: Won 8-5**

**Team:** Tom Perry, Jonah Davenport, Ben Jones, Dan Lockwood, Ryan McEvoy, Fletcher Mason

**Goal Scorers -** Dan Lockwood x3 Jonah Davenport x1 Fletcher Mason x1 Ryan McEvoy x3

### Year 8/Year 9 GIRLS FUTSAL v RAWLETT

#### LFAA 5 v 3 Rawlett

**Team:** Chloe Finn, Charlotte Clive, Sophie Cross, Kayleigh Harding, Paige Garstang, Amelia Kennelly, Aisha Taylor, Chelsea Webb, Grace Dickens

**Player of the Match:** Kayleigh Harding

### GIRLS NETBALL

#### LFAA v RAWLETT

**Year 7: 1-2**

**Year 8: 1-3**

**Year 9: 8-9**

**Year 7 Team:** Tashann Johnson, Jess Barber, Priya Hira, Heidi Southan, Paige Ralph, Grace Jenkins, Keira Derby, Libby Quin, Charlotte Holyoak

**Player of the Match:** Priya Hira

**Year 8 Team:** Hannah Hobson, Lauren Lees, Chloe Wileman, Rebecca Finn, Lucy Watkins, Ellie Chaplin, Teegan Arnold, Charlotte Cross, Jess Hakes, Kirsty Barlow

**Player of the Match:** Teegan Arnold

**Year 9 Team:** Faye Cousins, Paige Garstang, Amelia Kennelly, Rebecca Hallam, Jess Arnold-McDermott, Elise Dickie, Amber Donaldson, Courtney Savage, Carly Nicklin

**Player of the Match:** Paige Garstang

### Important Calendar Dates

**Wednesday 27 January** - Year 11 GCSE PE Badminton Tournament

**Monday 1 February** - Year 9 Photographs

**Wednesday 3 February** - Year 10 Core Science Coursework Day

**Thursday 4 February** - Year 10 Core Science Coursework Day

**Tuesday 9 February** - Year 9 Creative Arts Day

**Friday 12 February** - Year 11 Reports sent Home

**Friday 12** - February Term 3 ends

**Saturday 20** - February Ski Trip Departs

**Saturday 27** - February Ski Trip Returns

### Student Achievements

#### Ethan Billinge

In January, Ethan has competed in the following:

200m IM - Personal Best and improved Regional Qualifying time  
200m Free Style - Personal Best and improved Regional Qualifying time  
100 Backstroke - Personal Best and improved Regional Qualifying time  
400m Free Style - Personal Best and improved Regional Qualifying time  
100m Butterfly - Personal Best and new Regional Qualifying time  
200m Backstroke - Personal Best and improved Regional Qualifying time  
50m Freestyle - Personal Best and improved Regional Qualifying time  
100m Freestyle - Personal Best and improved Regional Qualifying time  
50m Butterfly - Personal Best and improved Regional Qualifying time.

Well done Ethan!



Ethan Billinge

If you would like to see your child's achievements in this column, please email details to [post@lfata.org.uk](mailto:post@lfata.org.uk).