



Fyling Hall Matters

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Technology Tournament

Last Thursday, the 1st of March, was the 8th annual Technology Tournament which is hosted and organised by the Whitby Rotary Club. For eight out of eight years, Fyling Hall has come first in at least one of the two categories that we enter. For this reason expectations were set very high and the school's reputation felt to be balancing on our shoulders.

As we arrived at the tournament many questions were flowing through everyone's minds, as none of us had any idea as to what we will be tasked with constructing. Shortly we were lead, in groups of four, to the table which we would spend the next several hours frantically working at. After a short wait all our queries were resolved and the teams were able to open the ominous envelopes that lay on each desk, finally revealing what our task was. Almost in sync, each of the members in my team looked up at each other with a face of confusion and bewilderment. Using a bag full of bits, bobs and various materials we had to build a rocket launcher. Not only a rocket launcher, but one that could propel a ball 3 metres into the air and allow it to gently glide back to the position to from which it was launched. And if that alone was not difficult enough, before launching the ball we must have included a 10 second countdown. During this countdown all contestants must have stood 1 whole metre away from the launcher and must have no physical contact with it.

After 4 hours of hard work, determination and tonnes of super glue, the competing teams presented their creations. One by one the teams brought their contraptions to the testing station for the judges to

make their verdicts. All of the creations, often to the judges and contestants surprise, managed to successfully propel the ball high into the air. Uproars of cheer and applaud echoed through the hall after each of the many demonstrations.

After an excruciating half hour of waiting, the judges had finally discussed their opinions and decided who had won each of the three categories in the competition. Silence fell, and it was announced that Fyling Hall had come first and second in both the intermediate and advanced categories. Nearing the end of the day the teams left the competition covered in glue, tape and carrying two new trophies to add to the school's collection.

Callum Wallis

Eskdale Festival 2017

On Wednesday and Thursday last week pupils from years 7-10 competed in the Eskdale festival. In the group drama class, where pupils had to create their own 5 minute piece of drama, two groups were placed joint third. Well done to Very Superstitious from year 7 and Emmeline Pankhurst: A Suffragette from year 8.

Earlier in the week, a group of 18 students travelled into Whitby to compete in the Shakespeare solo and poetry composition classes. Emie-May Burnett in year 7 and Lola Wilson in year 9 came 2nd and 3rd respectively in the Shakespeare solo class, performing a short monologue. Emie had an excellent afternoon also winning two poetry classes, one for composing her own work and a second for performing 'First day at school' by Roger McGough. Joseph Salt in year 7 was also placed in the poetry composition class with a piece based on Macbeth.

Later Sophie Asprey in year 10 came 1st in the year 11 and under class; performing as Helena from A Midsummer Nights Dream. Laura Callendar came 2nd in the same class performing a very difficult section of Romeo and Juliet.

Congratulations to all the pupils who took part. Mrs Jeeves is very proud of you all!

Connor Asprey

"Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever."—Mahatma Gandhi

Words of the Week

| | This week | Next week |
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| Tricky: | ravenous | defector |
| Trickier: | gluttonous | traitor |
| Trickiest: | voracious | renegade |

2017 Eskdale Festival Photo Gallery



Just some of the Fyling Hall successes in Whitby's annual Eskdale festival for Music and Drama.

2017 Technology Tournament Photos



It's only the 8th consecutive win for the physics department!



Debate Club is Fun. No Debate There!

For the sake of this article I will try to remain impartial and unbiased, however when it comes to the matter of the Debating Club I know where I stand. Last Wednesday I held the first meeting of the Fyling Hall School Debating Club. Was I nervous? Yes. Was I really confused as to why I was choosing to give myself the effort of running an after-school club? Definitely. Am I really happy I have made this decision? Most definitely.

Our very first topic is: Is the philosophy of "Steal from the rich and give to the poor" justified? If someone were to steal something from someone would that be right? Of course not. But what if that person needs the

thing they stole more than the person they stole it from? What if the person they stole it from doesn't actually need it and is selfishly hoarding it? These are the questions we are trying to answer. As people, especially young people, become more conscious of the divide in classes and the unequal distribution of wealth, these are the questions we have to try and answer.

Honestly there's not much more for me to say beyond the fact that arguing with people is fun and you should come to Debating Club. Seriously it's a lot of fun. I am not at all biased, or am I biased? You decide!

Damilare Williams-Shires

Junior School's Week of Music!

On Tuesday the junior school went to the Spa Pavilion to perform in various musical events. At 9:30 we all met up to get ready before the start of the recital. First Form one started by singing and dancing which involved:-

- 'Among the leaves so green oh!' (which was adorable!)
- 'Charlie over the Ocean'
- 'Sally go round the Sun'

We also did our choir in a non-competitive class. We did two very gentle songs and one very lively one. The adjudicator said we did very well to get to all the high notes and that we delivered very worthy dynamics. So it was a lot of fun and I hope we do it again next year.

Tomas Richardson & Ali Elhawary

Scary Thoughts about Moving On

I am terrified about the time when I have to leave the junior school to go up a year into year 7. Mainly because of the amount of bothersome prep you have to plough through every night but also the often quite harsh detentions if you do something wrong. What happens if I don't get my prep in on time? What happens if I get picked on? As always I turn to my dad (Dr. Richardson) for a wise and inspiring answer; but he only came out with his usual advice of ... "MAN UP!"

Being a house captain probably won't help much because I'm a bit more experienced in bossing little ones around, but I have a tiny hunch that pushing a 15 year old around will be a lot harder.

Toby Richardson

Cake Sale!

Monday 13th March

Break time £1

Please get baking and bring in your wonderful creations!

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The Week Ahead

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| Sat | 11 th | 6:00pm | Cinema trip for years 10-13 |
| Tues | 14 th | 12:00pm | U14/15 District 7s Rugby tournament @ Malton |
| | | 2:00pm | U12 Hockey Partnership tournament @ Lady Lumley's |
| Wed | 15 th | 2:00pm | Senior Netball v Lady Lumley's (Home) |
| | | 2:00pm | Senior Football v Lady Lumley's (Home) |
| | | | Yr10 Maths Feast @ Teeside university |
| Thur | 16 th | 3:30pm | U12 Football v Lady Lumley's (Away) |
| | | 4:00pm | U15 Netball partnership tournament @ Ryedale |

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