

WORKS

Wisdom - Optimism - Resilience - Kindness - Service



EDITION 75



OCTOBER 2022

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as though you were working for the Lord"
Colossians 3 : 23

AUTUMN TERM

**Week Commencing
17th October**

UPCOMING DATES

Monday 17th October to Friday 28th October - Half Term

Thursday 3rd November - Post 16 Open Evening

Monday 7th November - Year 9 Think CAREers NHS Careers Presentation

Tuesday 8th November - Lower School Concert

Thursday 10th November - Year 13 Parents' Evening

Friday 18th November - MSPTA Winter Fair

Tuesday 22nd November - Year 11 Careers Expo at Newark Showground

Wednesday 23rd November - ABRSM Examinations

CURRENT VACANCIES



Inclusion Coordinator

Teacher of Art

DT Technician (Textiles Specialism)

Administrator (Special Educational Needs) & PA to the SEN Coordinator

Administrative Assistant (East Midlands Maths Hub)

PRIZEGIVING

15th September 2022

Students - both past and present - were joined by family, staff, and governors at The Minster School's annual Prizegiving ceremony on 15th September 2022. This annual event celebrates students' considerable successes, not only in examinations but as significant contributors to the life of the school and wider community.

During the evening Ben Chaloner addressed the assembled students and guests. He reflected upon a school year that had begun under covid restrictions and had ended with students taking their public examinations for the first time since 2019. Considering this, the results that the students had achieved were truly exceptional.

The guest speaker was local resident and former Minster School student Dr Marion Oswald. Marion was awarded an MBE in the Jubilee Honours list for her services to digital innovation. Marion reflected upon her own experience of being recognised by the school through Prizegiving and how society around us is changing.

Congratulations to all prize winners and their families and particular good wishes for the future to those students leaving The Minster School at the end of year 13 as they embark upon the next chapter of their lives.



SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

At the start of this academic year, we launched the **CALL IT OUT** campaign. The main aim of this campaign is to empower students to challenge others and not tolerate discrimination of any type or relational conflict.

Alongside challenging each other some students have also chosen to use the reporting mechanism. Where they aren't comfortable challenging others, this has enabled us to have conversations around use of language and behaviours.

The campaign was launched in assemblies and tutor time activities enabled our students the opportunities to talk through issues, as well as feedback through their tutor reps on how they would like to see the campaign further developed.

APPEARANCE DISCRIMINATION 

Hear It. See It.

CALL IT OUT.

Report It.
website - www.minster.notts.sch.uk/callitout
email - callitout@minster.notts.sch.uk
talk - speak with your Year Leader
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BULLYING 

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DISABLISM 

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LGBTQ+ DISCRIMINATION 

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RACISM 

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SEXUAL HARASSMENT 

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Linking to this we have also updated the Antibullying Policy and The Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy in line with the latest Keeping Children Safe in Education 2022 guidance.

As we go into the half term holiday can we ask that you take a moment to read the latest government online safety guidance and keep talking to your child about online activity and safety.

Child Safety Online:

A practical guide for parents and carers whose children are using social media

Social networking is hugely popular. Many young people are sophisticated in the way they use social media apps and websites, tailoring their communication for different audiences, and accessing them from a range of devices including smartphones, tablets, and games consoles.

But social media, like all forms of public communication, comes with some risks. Not all of these risks turn into actual problems; and if children never face any risks, they never learn how to deal with them. By helping your child understand what the risks are, you can play a big part in preventing them from turning into problems.

Why children use social media



Understand the risks children may need to deal with

What they could see or do:

- Seeing or sharing of violent, sexual and pornographic content
- Inaccurate or false information and extreme views
- Promotion of harmful behaviours including self-harm, anorexia and suicide
- Over-sharing of personal information
- Actively or unintentionally getting involved in bullying or hurtful behaviour

Who they might meet:

- People who might bully, intimidate or frighten
- People posing behind fake profiles for:
 - Mischief-making
 - Sexual grooming and stalking
 - Blackmail and extortion
 - Identity theft and hacking

How this could affect them

- Fear of missing out leading to excessive use or exaggeration
- Getting upset by things they have seen and being uncertain about what to do
- Engaging, or being pressured into engaging in more risky behaviour either by accident or by design
- Developing unrealistic, and perhaps depressing ideals of body image and gender
- Becoming subject to peer pressure or interactions that are intense or too difficult to handle
- Creating an online reputation that may create problems for them in the future

MEET OUR NEW LANGUAGE AMBASSADORS

The languages department is very proud to introduce our amazing and talented student ambassadors. The Year 12 students are willing to help in all three languages: French, Spanish and German. This is a fantastic opportunity for 6th formers to get involved in the languages department and develop their leadership skills by working with younger students across the different year groups.



EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

26th September 2022

Like every year, we celebrate the European Day of Languages on 26th September. For this year, the focus was on how multilingual our school community is, celebrating those students that speak another language at home. We had an act of worship dedicated to the topic which featured some of our multilingual students showing off their language skills. Thanks again to the students that volunteered to be part of this. We learnt that over 60 students in our school community are bilingual and that more than 16 different languages are part of our school community. The key message was to be proud of your language skills and that we can learn so much from different languages and cultures. There are also so many benefits of learning a foreign language such as being more open minded, improving your brain functions and, of course, having lots of fun.

As every year, we ran a house competition as part of our celebrations and this year it was a tutor quiz about our teaching staff and which languages the different teachers speak. There was also a language treasure hunt where students had to hunt for language facts within the school. Both competitions counted towards the house cup. The winning tutor groups and winning houses will be announced after half-term.



MFL Language Legends

September 2022

<u>Year 7</u>	<u>Year 10</u>
Abbey H-Y - Alice Ca	Alexa Wa - Alicia Vi -
Alice Co - Alice G	Amelie Al - Amelia Sm
Alfie Pl - Evie Du	Anna Cu - Cheukyu
Gabriel S - Harry Sp	Emma On - Erin Bu
Hunter - Imogen L	Harvey A - Isi-Marie
Isabella B - Jameson	Jack Co - Jasper Ba
Kani - Luca Ch	Max Be - Megan Br
Lucas Po - Oliver Pa	Natalie L - Rebecca Pa
Patrick Ca - Poppy Ch	Sean Ca
Prince - Mia Wr	
Shreya - Tom Cr	
Tommy B	

FOUNDATION SERVICE

5th October 2022

On the 5th October we celebrated our annual Foundation Service in Southwell Minster. It was a chance to celebrate the long history of the school and its Christian roots and values, as well as an opportunity for the school community to recommit itself to the core values that make the school unique. It felt especially good this year to welcome parents, after a number of years where this wasn't possible. Year 7 students were offered a Bible and a prayer booklet. These were put together by students who were formally welcomed into our school community.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

The governing body has two parent governor vacancies which will be advertised after half term. Should this need to go to ballot, we will be conducting this online using parent or carer email addresses. If you are not the first contact for your child but still have parental responsibility you will still be eligible to vote. If you think your email address is out of date or needs adding to our system, please let us know using office@minster.notts.sch.uk



YEAR 12 DRAMA TRIP

24th September 2022

On the 24th of September we went to the Curve Theatre in Leicester to watch Shakespeare's Othello by Frantic Assembly. We were able to observe movements and performance skills that we will aim to replicate for our devised performance as part of our A-Level exam. It was great to see skills we are learning in class currently being performed professionally.

During the performance we witnessed the prominent themes of jealousy, betrayal, good vs evil and revenge, through the performer's body language and group movement.

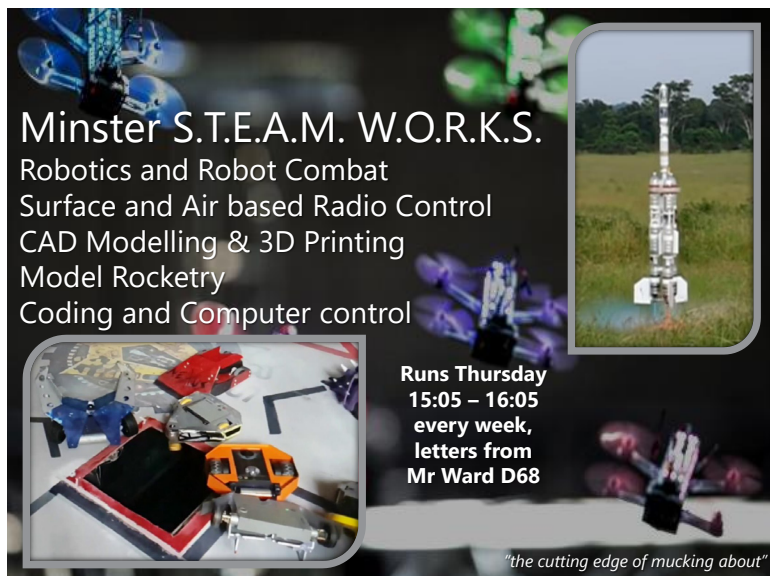
We thoroughly enjoyed the tragedy, and left the theatre feeling totally inspired and eager to create our own work. One moment of the play that was definitely memorable was when Othello killed Desdemona on the pool table at the end of the play. Their duet was extremely powerful and highly emotive as we as an audience know Desdemona is not guilty and her death is undeserved.

We now feel confident and excited to create our own work!

Ruby S - Year 12

STEAM WORKS

Minster STEAM WORKS
after school club would like
to support any students
interested in entering the V&A
Innovate Challenge



Minster S.T.E.A.M. W.O.R.K.S.
Robotics and Robot Combat
Surface and Air based Radio Control
CAD Modelling & 3D Printing
Model Rocketry
Coding and Computer control

**Runs Thursday
15:05 – 16:05
every week,
letters from
Mr Ward D68**

"the cutting edge of mucking about"

MSPTA UPCOMING EVENTS



Amazon: If you're an Amazon shopper, there are two ways to support our school without it costing you a penny; either through the app or vis a browser. This is Amazon's way to give something back to charities and you get to chose your preferred cause. Find out more here: <https://www.minster.notts.sch.uk/mspta>

Easy Fundraising: Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising a free donation for MSPTA? There are nearly 3,000 retailers including Waitrose, John Lewis, Aviva, the trainline and Sainsburys, who will donate a percentage of the amount you spend to MSPTA to say thank you for shopping with them. Fund out more here: <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/msptasouthwell>

If you would like to get involved in the MSPTA to either help with refreshments at school events or join the team in planning main events, please email us MSPTA@minster.notts.sch.uk

Thank you and good luck



FREE Tennis Fun Day For Families!

Saturday 22nd October, 2pm - 4pm



- ◇ All ages & abilities
- ◇ No booking
- ◇ Drop-in session
- ◇ Pro coach
- ◇ Tea and cake
- ◇ Equipment provided
- ◇ Just wear suitable clothing & shoes

Southwell Lawn Tennis Club, Memorial Park

www.southwelltennis.org.uk

6TH FORM POLITICS STUDENTS ENJOY PARLIAMENT TOUR

6th October 2022

Year 12 and 13 Politics students visited London last week for a tour of the UK Supreme Court and Houses of Parliament. 33 students travelled down to the capital, arriving in Parliament Square and visiting the UK Supreme Court, where they were guided around the courtrooms by Mr Wall. Students were able to learn about the role of the Supreme Court in the judicial process and how it has helped to make judgements on issues such as the prorogation of parliament and human rights. The students also had the opportunity to see a live case in the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, witnessing some arguments in a case from the Bahamas. After lunch, the group made their way around the Houses of Parliament on a guided tour, visiting the House of Lords through the Sovereign's entrance, followed by the House of Commons and voting lobbies. Students were able to ask questions about the workings of parliament and learn about the role of citizens in scrutiny and protest. We also had a workshop which focused on the successes and failures of pressure groups and think tanks in our democracy.



YEAR 13 PRACTICE INTERVIEWS

7th October 2022

Last week all of our Y13 students experienced a practice interview to prepare them for their future endeavours. Students were carefully matched with a professional who specialised in their chosen field and experienced a formal interview situation. Our students have told us they found this a really beneficial experience and are readily responding to the feedback received from their interviewers. The interviewers themselves were impressed with both the thorough preparation of our Y13 and the quality of their answers. We would like to express our thanks to those individuals who gave up their time to interview our students and also to Miss Toms for her excellent organisational prowess!



A WINNING START TO THE SCHOOL YEAR

Year 11 Netball

We have had some fantastic sporting performances so far this term - Well done to the Year 11 Netball Team who produced some excellent performances in the Central Venue League in September.



Year 11 Girls Football Team

An awesome start to the season for our Year 11 Girls Football Team - an excellent win and fantastic teamwork demonstrated.



Year 9 Girls Football Team

A fantastic result for the Year 9 Football Team. 5-1 winners against the Nottingham High School. Well done girls!





Year 10 Boys Football Team

A great start to the season for our Year 10 Football Team. 3-1 winners in their first match. Well done boys!



Year 8 Rugby Team

Great start to the season for the Year 8 Rugby Team - A win and a draw in their first tournament. Well done boys!



Year 8 Girls Football Team

A great performance from the Year 8 Girls Football Team this afternoon - 5-4 winners against National. Well played both teams!



Year 9 Boys Football Team

Congratulations to the Year 9 Football Team who came back from being 1-0 down to win 2-1 in their first match of the season. Well done boys!



Year 7 Boys Football Team

The year 7 boys won 1-0 against George Spencer

CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Thank you to our Key Stage 3 students who have taken part in our Gold Ribbon Run over ten days in their PE lessons. So far we have raised over £420 through online and cash donations. Well done everyone!



**We Are Supporting Childhood Cancer
Awareness Month!
The Minster School Gold Ribbon Run!**



Are you considering a career in teaching?

Each year the **Minster Learning Alliance**, in collaboration with Nottingham Trent University, offers a number of places on the School Direct programme, a teacher training route which allows schools to recruit and train outstanding teachers.

Bursaries and scholarships are available from the Department of Education. These are allocated to subject areas where they think there may be a shortage of teachers.

Subject	Bursaries	Scholarships
Biology	£20,000	
Chemistry	£27,000	£29,000
Computing	£27,000	£29,000
Design and Technology	£20,000	
English	£15,000	
Geography	£25,000	
Languages (French, German, Spanish only)	£25,000	£27,000
Languages (all other languages)	£25,000	
Mathematics	£27,000	£29,000
Physics	£27,000	£29,000

We are currently recruiting for **2023-24** and have primary and secondary places available at -

Abbey Primary School
 All Saints C of E Infant School
 Awsworth Primary School
 Bleasby C of E Primary School
 Farnsfield St Michael's C of E Primary School
 King Edward Primary School and Nursery
 Lowdham Primary School
 Lowe's Wong Anglican Methodist Junior School
 Muskham Primary School
 Netherfield Primary School
 Selston C of E Infant and Nursery School
 Winthorpe Primary School
 Carlton le Willows Academy
 The Elizabethan Academy
 Magnus C of E Academy
 The Minster School
 National C of E Academy

Visit **Inspire the next generation | Get Into Teaching** for the latest information about bursaries and funding.

If you are passionate about making a difference to the lives of young people and think you have the skills and attributes to make a great teacher, visit **The Minster School - Initial Teacher Training** for further details about the programme, our schools and how to apply.

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