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# WESTFIELD NEWS



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## Learning languages at Cambridge

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Ten pupils from Year 10 were selected to spend the day at the University of Cambridge. There were twenty schools involved in the day, and pupils were able to learn about language study at the University of Cam-



bridge, and at A Levels in a series of workshops which included pupils considering further study of languages. Pupils took part in lectures about the influences in film and propaganda, where they reflected on how films were used in World War II. Pupils were able to participate in translation workshops where they looked at the complexities of translation of a Backstreet Boys Song



by a Chilean boy band. Pupils also got to try out a new lan-



guage — 5 pupils had a lesson in Portuguese, whilst the other 5 pupils had a lesson of German. Pupils closed the day in the lecture theatre where they were able to ask the Cambridge Language Ambassadors questions about language learning.

# D of E final expedition

On Friday, 24th June the Duke of Edinburgh students had their final expedition where they were



assessed on their navigation, camping and cooking skills. The day started with all 5 groups completing a 10km walk to their campsite in Kings Langley. Everyone had to carry all of their equipment, so their fitness and endurance was certainly put to the test!

The groups showed incredible resilience and independence when they

came to the trickier parts of the route, even if a couple of students took a wrong turn here and there.

Once we arrived at the campsite, everyone got straight onto their next jobs, setting up camp and preparing the cooking equipment. The students came up with some fantastic meals despite the limited provisions they could bring, with one group even attempting a three-course meal.



The teachers were very impressed with the speed of some of the groups' tent building, even though they had never camped before. Others took their time with the assembling, but were clearly saving their energy for the sports activities after dinner.

The following morning the teams packed all their equipment and made sure they left the campsite tidy and prepared for another 10km walk home. A big shout out to Cristiano & Theo who showed amazing teamwork and empathy for their team, as the boys carried

all of their equipment as well as their teams due to an injury and fatigue! The boys didn't moan or complain, but simply supported their team so everyone could make it to the finish line.

I'm pleased to say every team made it to the finish in one piece and had a well-deserved rest once we returned to Westfield. A HUGE thank you to all the staff involved — Mr Chalk, Miss Talbot, Miss Gallagher, Mr Pritchard & Mr Meale — for all their hard work and support. The DofE award couldn't be as successful without the time and support they all put in.

If you see any of the students around the school, please congratulate them for their hard work and dedication on completing their expedition. The final step is for all the students to sign off their skill, physical & volunteering activities to achieve their bronze award! Many Thanks, Mr Allen.





# Football Academy Primary football



The Football Academy have been working with local primary school children, creating obstacle courses and other fun activities to support fitness and fun as part of the Sports Day at Laurence Haines School.



## Cricket Match results



Year 9 & 10 Cricket game against Immanuel College. The boys played extremely well and won the game comfortably by 20 runs. Man of the match, Zain, who scored 28 runs when batting and bowled out 6 of



their players in 3 overs. A brilliant match, congratulations to all who played.





# District Championships

A fantastic Athletics season was rounded off with our students competing in the district championships on Wednesday last week. Congratulations to all those who took part in this event and all other events this term- you should be very proud!

Here are some top results from District Championships :

## 1<sup>st</sup> place:

Kieren Bumagat- Javelin



## 2<sup>nd</sup> place:

Keren Gadji - 200m  
Dani Duah - 300m



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Place:

Ava Wilson – Javelin  
Year 8 Girls Relay



# Science 3D Models

The Year 7 Science classes have been studying the periodic table this term. Students in 7I decided to combine their artistic skills with their scientific learning. Featured below are some of the exceptional 3D models. Brilliant work, well done!

