



THE VOICE of Arthur Mellows Village College



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Message from the Head of College

Welcome to this packed edition of The Voice outlining all the activities that the students have been involved in recently. Many of the articles in this edition have been written by the students themselves—it is always nice to hear of their account of activities and to understand their perspective. The article on the Holocaust Memorial Day is particularly humbling to read.



The College says 'goodbye' this term to Mr Puddephatt (Teacher of English) and Mrs Bouyac (Teacher of Music). Mr Puddephatt is leaving the College to take up a promoted post in another school and Mrs Bouyac is relocating to another part of the country. On behalf of Governors, Staff, Students and Parents, I would like to wish them all the very best for the future.

The new term welcomes the following new teachers: Miss Wade (Teacher of Music), Miss West and Miss Jeffs (both Teachers of English).

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone all the best for Christmas and a Happy New Year.

M Sandeman

Key Dates next half term

Term resumes	Tuesday 3 January 2012
Year 7 Parents' Evening (A)	Tuesday 3 January 2012
Year 7 Parents' Evening (B)	Monday 9 January 2012
Year 11 Parents' Evening	Monday 16 January 2012
Year 10 Parents' Evening	Monday 6 February 2012
End of Term	Friday 10 February 2012



8CGE 'A DAY OF SILENCE'

On Monday 14 November 2011, 8CGE managed to do a 'Sponsored Silence' organised by Jazmin Joyce and Charlotte Somers. Thanks to a massive team effort the Tutor Group are very proud of the amount of money they have raised - a grand total of **£386.05**.



AMA Update

Season's Greetings from the Arthur Mellows Association (AMA) Committee. We are planning a busy 2012 with Quiz Nights, Car Boot Sales, Discos etc. Please visit the AMA page on the College Website in the next couple of weeks for more details.

We need your support to make these events a success, by attending, making donations of prizes or helping out on the day. You can also support us by donating second hand school uniform or unwanted jewellery.

Finally if you did not buy one of our fun Christmas Quiz Sheets at the recent Christmas Concert they are still available from the School Reception and the answers will be posted on the AMA page of the College website in the New Year.

IN THE EVENT OF SEVERE WEATHER

* Please check our website in the first instance where College closure information will be posted to our homepage, if possible by 7.35 am.
www.arthurmellows.peterborough.sch.uk

* Listen to one of the following radio stations:

- ♪ Heart FM
- ♪ BBC Radio Cambridgeshire
- ♪ Connect FM (formerly Lite FM)

* The College will also communicate school closure via Schoolcomms.

Please note:

Decisions on school transport and the buses are not made by the College. Please contact the provider directly if there are any queries.

Year 8 Fund Raising

Well done to Year 8 students who have worked hard to support 'Liam's Wish List' this term. The Sponsored Silence from 8CCR raised £620.00, 8CGE raised £386.05 and 8GDR raised £87.50. As well as the above, Year 12 Travel and Tourism students organised a very successful Year 8 Rave raising £200.00. I would like to thank all those involved and wish Liam all the best.

Mr A Jones, Head of Year 8

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POLITICS OF EUROPEAN UNION BROUGHT TO LIFE FOR STUDENTS FROM ARTHUR MELLOWS VILLAGE COLLEGE

At a time when the European Union is never out of the headlines, its politics and decision-making were brought to life for two students from Arthur Mellows Village College recently when they took part in a Mock Council of the European Union.

The students, Beth Oliver and James Hughes, joined 27 secondary schools and colleges from across England in London's historic Lancaster House on 17 November to debate and make decisions on the Arab Spring and economic growth. The event was organised by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, the British Council and the European Commission and was held during International Education Week.

Each school represented one of the 27 EU Member States, the European Commission or General Secretariat of the Council. Arthur Mellows Village College represented Latvia and were invited to the Latvian Embassy as part of their research, where they met the Ambassador.



James said, "I found the whole experience thoroughly enjoyable and gained a real insight into both the EU and current political issues. I would usually have overlooked the country which we were given to represent, as I always thought of Latvia as somewhat eventless, as it rarely appears in our news. I couldn't have been more wrong! And so I found myself researching into an entirely new area of study. The set-up at Lancaster House was very professional, to such an extent that one could really believe they were taking part in a real EU council. Overall, I found the day to be thoroughly enjoyable and feel my passion for politics has been strengthened."

Beth said: "The EU Council was a great chance to learn more in depth about issues that are often in the media, for me, the Arab Spring. Especially looking at the issue from a Latvian perspective, it made me realise not just the various different intricacies of and perspectives on an issue, but also how difficult it is for the EU to make a conclusive decision. For me, the Mock EU council provided an exciting opportunity to peek behind the curtain and understand how politics works behind the scenes."

Sarah Reilly, Assistant Headteacher, said: "This was a fantastic opportunity for students to learn about the politics of the European Union. I am very proud of the way they researched, debated and presented their case at the Mock Council. It is a fantastic event that truly brings learning to life for our students."

The Rt. Hon David Lidington, Minister for Europe, said: "The EU Mock Council is an invaluable opportunity for students to test their debating and negotiation skills. The event provides an excellent platform for students to understand how the decision making process of the EU really works. I hope it encourages students to consider the wide range of opportunities open to them within the EU."

Sir Vernon Ellis, Chair, British Council said: "It's great to see young people engaging with the mechanisms of Europe. The British Council works hard to build and ensure cultural understanding between the UK, Europe and countries around the world through initiatives such as the European Union's Comenius programme and is pleased to be able to offer events to our up-and-coming young leaders through initiatives such as the Mock Council."

Jonathan Scheele, Head of the European Commission Representation in the UK, Chair of the working session on economic growth, said: "There are many misunderstandings in the UK on how Europe works and today's event provides an invaluable experience for youngsters to experience first hand and "from the inside" the way the EU takes decisions."

The Mock Council concluded with a number of proposals for the Arab Spring States including special visas for young people from the Middle Eastern and North African countries affected, to allow them to study in European countries. The proposals for economic growth included strengthening the governance of the Euro-zone with the possibility of sanctions for members in breach of their obligations and creating greater support for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).

COLLEGE NEWS



ARTHUR MELLOWS VILLAGE COLLEGE OUTSTANDING FUNDRAISING EFFORTS FOR CHILDREN IN NEED



United; a word which can be used to describe the staff and students of Arthur Mellows especially when it comes down to making a difference to the lives of disadvantaged children and young people right here in the UK.

Children in need is an annual British charity appeal organised by the BBC; each year it manages to raise extremely large quantities of money from the general public hosting events across the UK. Each year we all get involved as a school, and this year has set the record for the most successful. We have all together raised an estimated sum of around £2,600.00 which is phenomenal! With efforts from all the students and staff involved; the Sixth Form committee, auction participants, cake makers and boys willing to get their legs waxed.



The Sixth Form auction is an annual event which takes a lot of planning to run smoothly. Ms Reid can now breathe a sigh of relief and relax as it all ran swimmingly with no mishaps. Students from the charity team and the Sixth Form committee organised 10 groups to perform for the rest of the school; younger years armed with money bid for their favourite groups to be their slaves for the day. This year the event raised £800.00. The nuns took the top spot and were sold for a total of £85.00 - the humiliation was worth it.

On the Friday a number of stalls were held to maximise fundraising. The lads in Sixth Form were brave and nominated themselves to get their legs waxed; other students donated to watch. I am sure a lot of them really enjoyed their silky smooth legs after, and would happily brave it again, especially as they helped to raise £145.00 in donations. A yummy chocolate tombola raised £80.00, along with a cake sale which



raised an astonishing £134.00, the map competition raised £22.00 and the Pudsey penny picture raised £22.00. A non-uniform day held on the Friday raised a grand total of £1,300.00



Everyone who got involved deserves a massive thank you - you are all great people and you should be proud as you make Arthur Mellows the great school it is. Let's try and beat the record next year.

By Mia Holmes, 13ETR

BEN MELLOR: A POET

Hot from a fantastic performance at the Peterborough Festival this Summer, I took the opportunity to invite Ben Mellor into College at the end of term to perform some of his work and to run a workshop with high ability A Level English students. Ben is a really talented performer, winner of a number of national poetry awards, specialising in poems with a social conscience, but also capable of producing work of great breadth, wit and skill. With exams and coursework deadlines approaching, it seemed a great time of year for a change of pace and focus for our talented students to work with someone making a real name for himself in poetry circles.

For those of you who know anything about the burgeoning Peterborough poetry scene, there is a monthly session run by an ex-AMVC student, whilst one of their star performers is another former student, MC Mixy, who is well worth seeing live. So, hopefully seeing a performer of such considerable talent will inspire a whole new generation of poets from the College's highly successful English department. Watch this space.

Mr B Zaidi, Media Studies



COLLEGE NEWS

YEAR 10 GEOGRAPHY TRIP TO HUNSTANTON



On Monday 7 November 2011, over 120 plucky Year 10 students (and 5 Year 11 students) braved the weather to go on a field trip to Hunstanton. The aim of the trip was to collect fieldwork data for their controlled assessment. Students collected data at Old Hunstanton about the cliffs and the sand dunes and at

New Hunstanton about the coastal management.

The trip was a great success and all students are using the data to produce some excellent pieces of work. Here are some quotes students made about the trip; Freya summed the trip up in two words 'very cold', to which Bethanie added 'very, very cold'. Jess had a 'fabulous time, I really enjoyed picking up pebbles and measuring them for a day' and lastly, Peter decided that 'sand dunes are wicked.'

Thanks to all the members of staff who helped make the trip possible.

Ms E Veale, Head of Geography



Exploring the spread of Culture in Birmingham

On a cold December morning, the Year 13 Travel and Tourism students visited Birmingham as part of their work looking at the movement of Culture.

We started by visiting the Chinese Quarter; what started as a small area where migrants from Hong Kong settled after the Second World War has developed into a bustling community. Although we had started to see evidence of the Chinese culture during our drive into the centre, our first visit was to the Chinese Pagoda which is set amongst a Chinese style garden, in the middle of a huge roundabout. We also visited the Arcadian Centre, a busy social area in the evening with bars and restaurants, but more sedate during the day with a wide range of Chinese businesses and shops. The centre also hosts the Chinese New Year Celebrations for the whole of the West Midlands community; unfortunately we were a few months early to experience this! The students continued to collect further evidence of the architecture and other cultural events in the area.

Following a long walk across the city centre, we found some evidence of the spread of Spanish culture with some themed restaurants, but as we had expected the spread of Spanish culture was more limited. Although we are sure if we had stayed into the evening we could have enjoyed taking some lessons in Salsa or Flamenco.

We rounded off the trip by looking at evidence of the movement of other cultures in the city; so the presence of a German Christmas market was an added bonus, particularly with some stalls selling food or gifts of a Chinese/Spanish style.

The students will be using the evidence gathered from this trip in their work on Cultural Tourism. Students will go on to look at the cultural characteristics of China and Spain in addition to the growth and impacts of cultural tourism in these countries.

Mr J Pepper, Teacher of Travel and Tourism



NORMANDY TRIP 2011

Once again our annual trip to the D-Day landing beaches of Normandy took place from Thursday 17 November 2011 to Sunday 20 November 2011, with our Year 11 students. After an exciting journey down to Portsmouth, including a circuit of a Tesco car park, we made it safe and sound onto the ferry.

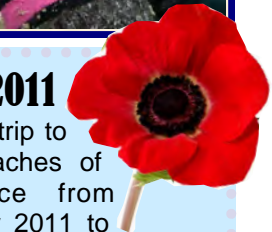
After a very early start we were at Pegasus Bridge before the sun was up. This was our first stop on a jam packed day including a visit to Ranville cemetery, the Pegasus Bridge museum, the 360 degree cinema, a German gun battery and a bit of free time in Bayeux. It was then on to the hotel, a very nice three course meal and some well needed sleep.

Saturday included visits to Omaha beach, the American cemetery (as featured in the film Saving Private Ryan), Point du Hoc and St Mere Eglise. After another nice meal at the hotel, it was off for bowling and snooker and a very competitive basketball throwing game.

Sunday started with a trip to the huge Peace museum at Caen, the large cemetery in Bayeux and then a very small cemetery with an interesting story called Jerusalem. We then made our way to the ferry where everyone enjoyed watching Toy Story 3 but not the next film about fighting guinea pigs-do not ask!

As always the Year 11 students were a credit to Arthur Mellows and I look forward to another successful trip next year.

Mrs K Price, Head of History



COLLEGE NEWS

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY—8 DECEMBER 2011

Holocaust survivor, Eva Clark, came in to talk to our Year Group about her mother's experience in the concentration camps. Eva was born in the concentration camp, 3 weeks before the third concentration camp her mother was in was liberated. Being a Jewish person, Eva's mum had to spend time in not one, but 3 concentration camps, including the death camp, Auschwitz. Before going to the camps her mum had quite a lot of luck as she had a very close call. Before the war (but with German discriminatory anti-Jewish laws in place) her mum risked her life going to the cinema to see a film, and part-way through the film German soldiers came in and checked everyone's ID papers to see if any Jews had snuck in. It was law that Jews had to have a 'J' on the ID papers, and everyone had to carry their ID papers or there were serious consequences. The Germans stopped searching just before the row her mum was sitting in, and I felt the fear her mum must have been feeling. Eva also described some of the horrendous problems her mother faced, like having to 'scavenge' for food.

After the talk with Eva, her colleague talked with us in depth about what the Holocaust really was; the main reason people collaborated with the Germans was because they could gain from what the Jews lost. Then he showed us a documentary where people in World War 2 had led Jews to a nearby forest to be murdered and when they interviewed one of the collaborators he said "I did not really think about what I was doing... I suppose the selfish Jews deserved it." This made me upset and incredibly angry. It was like he did not have a conscience. Overall, I thought the experience was a real privilege and I really enjoyed it. It taught me what humans can do when they do not think for themselves and when they are consumed by greed and jealousy.

James Green, 9MTU



Today was Holocaust Memorial day and Arthur Mellows invited Eva Clarke (a Holocaust survivor) in to tell us about her terrific story about her family in the Holocaust. The story was moving and interesting to hear. We learnt many things, including how the Jewish people were treated (they

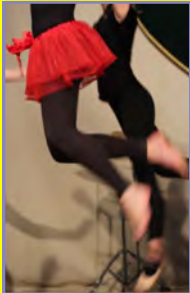
were treated in an appalling way, as they only got 2-3 drinks a day and only a slice of bread to eat). We also learnt about different concentration and death camps and the fact that the Jewish were treated like objects. They were used as slaves and if they were not healthy or worthy enough to do jobs they were shot. This included women, children and the elderly.

We then had an extra session, in which we saw many pictures of Jewish families and people. We were told extra stories about some of the people/families and we also saw a small documentary on bystanders and perpetrators, which showed people who either escaped or were involved in the Holocaust.

All in all it was a very interesting day and I am sure I can say for many of us that we learnt a great deal.

Felicity Lyons, 9MTU

CHRISTMAS CONCERT



On Wednesday 7 December 2011, an unprecedented number of parents, staff and students filled the Main Hall to watch Arthur Mellows Christmas Concert, put on by the Performing Arts faculty. The Christmas Concert showcases the talents of Arthur Mellows students and each year the Concert gets bigger and better and this year was no exception.



There was a variety of performances from the Senior Orchestra, Year 11 Band, Brass Band, Junior and Senior Choirs. The audience were enchanted by Alice and Emily Newcombe's version of Bach Double Violin Concerto and treated to solo performances from James Riches, 'Wherever you will go' and Beth McTrustery 'One Small Child'. The enthusiasm from the dance performances, provided by 'Explosive', Year 8 'Ignite' and the Gifted and Talented Dancers, were truly breath-taking. The evening concluded with an audience participation version of 'We wish you a Merry Christmas'

Thank you to the AMA for providing the raffle and refreshments.

Mrs Hammond and Mrs Bouyac have been working with the students throughout this term, and would like to pass on their congratulations and thanks to every student and parent who contributed to the performances.

The College says goodbye to Mrs Bouyac, who is relocating this Christmas. Mrs Bouyac has been an inspirational member of the Music department and we wish her every success in her new home and job.

Mrs T Hammond, Head of Music



COLLEGE NEWS



Shakespeare Schools Festival

On Friday 14 October 2011 students from Arthur Mellows Village College performed Macbeth at the Key Theatre. To get to the stage of performing, the 18 students in Years 8 to 11 rehearsed at lunchtimes and after school. The performance was part of the Shakespeare Schools Festival, a charity that works with hundreds of schools across the country to unlock their potential and give them a chance to perform Shakespeare plays on a professional stage.

We started by taking part in a cast workshop at the Key Theatre. The students got the chance to work with National Youth Theatre directors and gain ideas for their performance. It was also an opportunity to show part of the performance to students from Bourne Academy and get feedback.

Throughout the rehearsal period, our two marketing students, Max Watson and Alex Smith, took photos, recorded a promotional video and even got a mention on Heart and Connect radio to advertise ticket sales.

On the performance day the students took part in a technical rehearsal, learning how technicians and directors plan the light and sound for a performance and then finally it was show time! We performed with three other local schools who all did different Shakespeare plays. After the performance we got lots of positive feedback from the festival co-ordinator and National Theatre director. They said it was "dark, powerful and atmospheric", "captivating and very real" and that the actors "clearly understood and took ownership of the language of the play". The cast were described as a "delight" and we are all looking forward to next year already!

The hardworking and talented cast were: Joe Giggs, Rob Mills, Chris Formby, Nicola Evans-Reid, Maia Reid, Josh Ferguson, Ellie Simpson, Rosie Reynolds, Connor Griffiths, Bethanie Woods, Cade Allum, Harjeevan Bisla, Amy Fielding, Charlotte Cawsey, Tai Carter, Thomas Gilbert, Alex Dines, Lewis Manning and Tiarnan Greene. They were supported and directed by Alex Smith, Max Watson, Miss Tuffin, Miss Kavanagh and Mr Norris.

by Alex Smith, 8JTU



BTEC MEDIA TRIP

What could be better than spending the last day of term in school? Well for BTEC Media students, a trip to London had been arranged.

After the excitable bus journey to London we arrived in White City for a tour of the BBC TV studios. We got to look at the main studio where the likes of Harry Hill's TV Burp and the Jonathan Ross show are filmed. They even gave us the chance to run our own game show and have a go at being news reporters, as well as walking onto the old set of Blue Peter.

After lunch we headed to the London IMAX cinema, the UK's biggest cinema screen, and watched the film "Real Steel" with Hugh Jackman, which we all really enjoyed (especially Miss Kavanagh!). We went on to enjoy an evening of bowling where we discovered who could bowl and who could not (mentioning no names!) before getting a well-earned rest at the hostel ready for an early start in the morning.

Once breakfast was over and our rooms had been checked, we made our way to the Victoria and Albert Museum where we had free time to explore the many exhibitions. After a good look round the museum we travelled to the London Film Academy for a workshop with Simon Shore, a BAFTA winning Writer and Director.

Using a TV drama that he directed called "After Thomas" he introduced us to many 'tricks of the trade'. He showed us how he overcame various problems such as trying to get a dog to follow his exact directions time and time again, and how to film the scene over and over from different angles to help in the editing process.

When they were filming one of the scenes, they needed to film in a school that was especially for autistic children. It was a challenge to film because the children were used to routine and order. These strange men coming in would disrupt their school, so they came in every day for months leading up to filming so the children familiarised themselves with them in order to not disrupt their learning environment.

Finally we made our way home to Peterborough truly exhausted. Overall, the trip was amazing and I would encourage any future Year 10 students studying Media to go on this trip; it takes the things that you learn in the classroom and gives you real life experience and shows you how they will be used; it also opens your eyes to all the different types of media out there!

By Grace Duggan, 11CPE



COLLEGE NEWS

THE PETERBOROUGH SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all athletes who represented Arthur Mellows Village College at the Peterborough Schools Cross Country Championships on Friday 2 December 2011.

Arthur Mellows had a fantastic day and were team winners in the Junior Boys and Inter Boys races. Minor Girls and Junior Girls finished second. Megan Porter had an excellent run for the Minor Girls and finished 3rd. Audunn Olafsson finished 4th for the Minor Boys and Aisling Ruff was the second girl home in the Junior Girls race.

Ashley Brumfield, Damian Rutterford, Ryan Hunter and Sam Shields finished 3rd, 5th, 10th and 13th respectively for the Junior Boys; The Junior Boys were Team Winners. Katie Hutchinson won the Inter Girls race with Shannon Ruff 6th and Ellie Jaggard 11th.

Grady Wing won the Inter Boys race, with Steven Dovey 3rd, Dan Richardson 4th, Adam Blick 11th, Myles Phillips 19th and Alex Whyte 21st. The team finished Winners for the Inter Boys. two Senior Girls athletes Amy Haines-Eynon and Charlotte Harris finished 7th and 10th respectively and Gregg Dunn came 10th whilst Tom Hutton finished 16th for the Senior Boys.



All of the athletes above will now represent Peterborough Schools at the County Championships on Saturday 14 January 2012 at King's School, Ely.

There were 695 athletes who took part on the day. Well done and congratulations to all our runners.

Mrs D Wilding, PE Department

London Olympics 2012

As you will be aware, the London 2012 Olympic Games are taking place next year. This is a very special occasion for the athletes taking part, but also for us as a school.



Arthur Mellows will be running its own Olympic/Paralympic style events in 2012 in the countdown to the big day!

It is my job as Olympic Ambassador to promote this very special event. Part of my role was to visit Jack Hunt School with Mrs Wilding to think of events our school can enjoy and take part in. My fellow ambassadors and I have set up an Olympic Committee putting together a selection of events aimed at Year 7 to Year 13. As the games are becoming ever closer, the Olympic Committee will be going into assemblies and lessons to promote the events which will take place at Arthur Mellows. We hope to have different Tutor Groups representing different countries and an individual competition in each Year Group to find the 'AMVC Olympic 2012 Champion'. Will it be you?

In the meantime get familiar with the Olympic Values
■courage ■determination ■inspiration ■equality
■respect ■excellence ■friendship.

I Hope you are looking forward to participating in the 2012 games at Arthur Mellows Village College.

Jake Gardiner, 12KGR, Olympic Ambassador

LITTER PICK-UP

As one of the Environmental and Ethics representatives of the school, I was more than happy when McDonald's, Glington got in touch with us about their idea for a litter pick-up.

Together, Cheryl Carter (People Manager) and I organised a date that suited us all best; I got together a few of my friends; Joshua Southwell and Thomas Welch, and along with McDonald's staff, Glington Parish Council and some other eager volunteers we had a brilliant team of people. The day was an absolute success! Fortunately the weather was excellent, which I believe was a big motivation. Everyone was more than willing to get stuck in; at times it was taxing as the litter had converged deep in the bushes, but although we got muddy, it was satisfactory removing the litter and reinstating the aesthetics of Glington. The amount of litter that we collected was outstanding, it was really eye opening finding huge amounts of litter hiding in the crevices of what appears to be a beautiful village. Afterwards there was a warm, complacent feeling rippling through the team. Everyone felt that they had helped the environment and had a fantastic time doing it.



It would be wonderful to engage in more activities like this, and maybe get a few more people interested. The whole group had a really fun time, and our efforts really did make a difference.

By Molly Frost, 13EKA

PE NEWS

YEAR 7/8 HOCKEY

Our combined Year 7/8 Hockey team are going from strength to strength. Despite having a far from suitable outdoor playing area, the squad's skills and game play are improving constantly. This is due to their enthusiasm and commitment to training.



In the New Year, it is hoped that we will finalise plans to build a new Astro-turf pitch at the College, this will benefit all students and the local community.

We have played 2 matches this term, both we have won. Their last match v's Deeping last week was a 4-2 victory, with Sam Sheffield being awarded man of the match and scoring a hat-trick. Eve Greenaway also scored a well earned goal. Many of the team are beginning to play for local teams and will continue to develop their skills playing club Hockey.

Squad: Sam Sheffield, Eve Greenaway, Lewis Salmon, Sean Carter, Will Shreeve-Peacock, Polly Cooper, Adelaide Hunt, Issie Wilding, Joshua Jennens, Aaron Bryant, Jessica Snape, Anna Denton, Liam Brader.

Hockey players/beginners are always welcome. Practices are every Monday lunchtime on the Tennis/Netball courts.

**Mrs D Wilding,
PE Department**

YEAR 5 TABLE TENNIS FESTIVAL

In November 2011, John Clare, Eye, Duke of Bedford, Barnack, Northborough, Glington and Newborough Primary Schools all brought a class of Year 5 students to Arthur Mellows Sports Hall to take part in a Table-Tennis Festival.

Over 200 students were active and engaged in Table-Tennis activities over the course of the day. Students were coached and led by Sixth Form students who are taking part in their 'Community Sports Leader Award', as well as GCSE and Year 10 students starting their 'Junior Sports Leader Award.'

Students worked in groups of 4 or 5 to a table, received expert tuition and had lots of opportunity to play games and improve their own skills. They returned with ideas to introduce Table-Tennis at their own schools by using existing classroom tables and wood/card for nets.

Particular praise was given to Matthew Welch, Matthew Guest, Gregg Dunn, Tamara Keast and Tom Hutton who shone as Table-Tennis leaders and were noted as looking after their students with extra commitment. Well done to all.

**Mrs D Wilding,
PE Department**



ACQUATHLON

We once again entered the Acquathlon this year and had some outstanding performances, with Aishling Ruff Year 8/9, Damian Rutterford Year 8/9 and Emma Watts Year 10/11 all winning their respective races. Katie Hutchinson Year 10/11 came third in her race. We had a strong entry overall and all our athletes did really well with their swimming and running.



YEAR 4 SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS



Two hundred Year 4 students came to Arthur Mellows in early December for an indoor athletics event which involved numerous running activities-relay, obstacle, hurdles and straight sprint events on the track. In the 'field event' room they took part in a variety of throwing, jumping and skipping events. The event was for the whole class and good teamwork and support as well as skill and speed was essential to success.

Community and Junior Sports leaders were essential to the running of the event; many were managing teams, coaching and guiding youngsters through the morning. Both Year 12 and Year 10 students did a very competent job. Our Silver Ambassadors, Jake Gardiner and Holly Finding were excellent as comperes keeping the youngsters entertained with music and prompts and promoting the Olympic values.

Well done to all involved as the morning was a huge success.

Results:

Winners	Glington CofE Primary School
2nd	Northborough Primary School
3rd	Eye Primary School

Mrs D Wilding, PE Department



Pictured: Community and Junior Sports Leaders, Laura Layen and Steven Dovey