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It is wonderful to see our new Year 7 students settling into College life; they are showing great enthusiasm for their lessons and are beginning to make the most of what Catmose College can offer them.



Students who attend Catmose College want to learn, work hard and engage with everything we offer, including the electives programme and the great variety of trips and visits that are available, as well as making the most of the opportunity to get involved with drama, sport, music and The Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

We look forward to seeing parents and guardians at the Year 7 form tutor evening on Wednesday 11 October between 3.00pm and 7.00pm. This meeting will provide a useful opportunity to discuss your child's first term at Catmose College.





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# POST-16 EVENT

On Wednesday 21 September we hosted a Post-16 event in the theatre for our Year 11 students, this was a great opportunity for them to meet with representatives from local colleges, along with companies offering various apprenticeships.

We hope our Year 11's found the evening helpful and informative.



# MY WORK EXPERIENCE

I am interested in mechanical engineering so I wanted to work in a firm that worked with mechanical parts. I applied to work at a firm called G-Mach, which mostly specialise in producing products for aerospace (aircraft and spacecraft). This sounded very interesting to me so I decided to apply there. Luckily, I got the placement, which I was very happy with.

When I started at G-Mach, the staff treated me very well as I was inexperienced. As the week progressed, I began to feel like part of the team, shadowing members of staff on the machines and assisting other staff in the inspection room.

Towards the end of the week, I became more independent with the work I was given as I required less assistance. This made me feel like less of a student and more like an employee.

Work experience gave me the chance to gain valuable information on mechanical engineering. It allowed me to develop a better understanding of engineering as a whole and I obtained valuable advice from my colleagues. I would recommend work experience to everyone.

Daniel Firth, 11T



# WORLD WAR ONE COMMEMORATION SERVICE

On Wednesday 27 September, over 80 Year 9 students, along with our Chamber Choir and Brass Band, attended a commemoration service for The Battle of Passchendaele at All Saints' Church, Oakham. The service allowed our students to reflect and remember those who fought in the battle, particularly those from Oakham and the surrounding areas. One of the most poignant moments of the service was when students from Catmose College, Uppingham Community College and Casterton College read out the names of the 41 soldiers from Rutland who lost their lives in the battle.

The service also featured a performance from our Brass Band, a poetry reading by Keira Parish (Year 8), and three performances from a choir made up of students from all three schools.

Many students commented on how they enjoyed the service because it allowed them to think about the sacrifices made by soldiers in World War One. We would like to thank Rutland County Council for organising this service.



# **UPCOMING TRIPS**

YEAR 7 JOHN CLARE HOUSE - ENGLISH, 5 OCTOBER 2017

YEARS 10 - 11 KNITTING & STITCHING SHOW - ART, 12 OCTOBER 2017

YEARS 9 - 10 GERMAN EXCHANGE, 11 - 18 OCTOBER 2017

YEARS 8 - 9 SUMATRA, 12 - 23 OCTOBER 2017

YEARS 8 - 13 LION KING THE MUSICAL, 1 NOVEMBER 2017

YEARS 9 - 10 LONDON THEATRE WEEKEND, 24 - 26 NOVEMBER 2017

YEARS 7 - 9 MANCHESTER SPORT WEEKEND, 24 - 26 NOVEMBER 2017

YEARS 10 - 12 CANADA SKI TRIP, 14 - 21 DECEMBER 2017

YEARS 10 & 11 SCROOGE THE MUSICAL, 3 JANUARY 2018

YEAR 11 OLD OPERATING THEATRE, 23 JANUARY 2018

YEARS 8 - 10 AUSTRIA SKI TRIP, 10 - 17 FEBRUARY 2018

YEARS 10 & 11 ICELAND PHOTOGRAPHY TRIP, 21 - 25 FEBRUARY 2018

YEAR 9 SOMME BATTLEFIELDS TRIP, 15 - 17 MARCH 2018

YEARS 9 & 10 SUMATRA EXPEDITION, 30 MARCH - 9 APRIL 2018

YEARS 8 - 11 PERFORMING ARTS TOUR, AMSTERDAM, 4 - 8 JULY 2018

YEARS 8 - 10 NEPAL EXPEDITION, OCTOBER 2018

More information can be found on our website at www.catmosecollege.com/tripplanner











# BURGHLEY HOUSE ART TRIP

On Thursday 21 September, the Art department took over 100 Year 7 students to Burahlev House. Stamford.

The students experienced a day full of exciting activities including a guided tour of Burghley House where they learned about how people lived in the Tudor times. We walked through the house, including the Tudor kitchen, and witnessed the beautiful Heaven and Hell rooms which had impressive painted ceilings.

Students then took a walking tour through the sculpture garder and had the opportunity to pick their favourite work of art to







sketch. It was a beautiful day and there were lots of impressive sculptures to choose from.

After exploring the grounds, students participated in a workshop with the resident artist, where they used different coloured wire to create their own dragonflies and butterflies. Some of the work produced was incredible.









## CROSS COUNTRY SUCCESS

This term, the cross country teams travelled to Crowland to take part in the English Schools Cross Country Cup.

The students who competed equipped themselves very well.

Our best performances in Year 7 came from Oliver Wright 4th, Findley Brown 17th and Baylie Mitchell who finished 15th. I hope these students will be able to represent the school in the league and county cross country competitions in the near future. In the Inter Boys age group Marcus Francis came 7th, Spencer Hex 21st, Harry Window 26th. We are awaiting to see what position they finished in the team event, but with a couple of strong runners missing they performed extremely well. In the girls team our best finish came from Georgia Gilbert who came an impressive 11th. It was a pleasure taking the students to this event and many thanks to them all for their efforts.

Any students wishing to join the cross country team should contact a member of the sports team.







## CATMOSE DANCE SHOW

Catmose Dance Show 2018 will be on Tuesday 20th March 6.00 pm until 8.00 pm in the school theatre.

There will be auditions at the end of January so please start planning and rehearsing your dances

If you would like to book one of the studios for a practice session please arrange this through a member of the sports team.



NEW DANCE CLASS FOR CONFIDENT/ EXPERIENCED STUDENTS

Starting Mondays 3.45pm - 4.45pm 8 January 2018
Catmose College Theatre

# FUTURECHEF 2018 HOUSE COMPETITION

If you would like to take part in the FutureChef 2018 competition then please see Mrs James for a letter in Beeton.

The competition will take place after school on Monday 30 October and will be judged by local chef Kevin Spiers.

The competition will involve you preparing, cooking and presenting a main course for two people with a budget of  $\pounds 5$ .

You will be asked to submit your costings, and the top two students will win a recipe book and will represent Catmose at Loughborough College for the next stage of the competition.





## MIDSUMMERS NIGHT DREAM, THE CURVE

On Tuesday 14 November, 24 students will perform their production of A Midsummer Night's Dream at the Curve Theatre in Leicester. They have all been working very hard in rehearsals and it is shaping up to be a fantastic show. If you would like to buy tickets, please go to the Curve website www.curveonline.co.uk.

CAST LIST:

### The Athenians

Hermia – Henrietta Gille Lysander – Tommy Sabberton Helena – Ruby Ray Demetrius – Edward Woolman-Lane Egeus – William Way Theseus – Henry Harrison Hippolyta – Imogen Koczulab Philostrate – Joshua Lee-Perkins

#### The Mechanicals

Peter Quince – Ethan Burrill Nick Bottom – Finlay Gautrey Francis Flute – George Watt Snout – Charlotte Frost Robin Starveling – Keira Edwards Snug – Andrew Smith

#### The Fairies

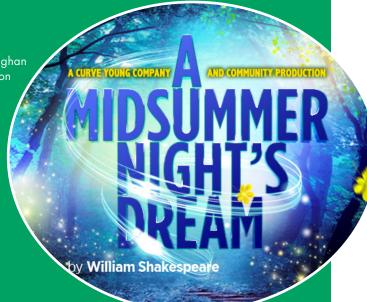
Oberon – Jack Monaghan Titania – Mia Cameron Puck – Tobias Page

## Titania's Fairies

Verity Rawlings Laila Stanford Frankie Halford Jorja Swain

### **Oberon's Fairies**

Baylie Mitchell Gracia Gooding Ruby Holton



# LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY STEM EVENT

On Tuesday 11 July, I and 10 other students travelled with Mr Ward to attend a 4-day residential event at Loughborough University. The event was organised for Year 10 female students and the aim was to encourage us to study STEM subjects (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics).

When we arrived at the University, we were given details about the event project; we had to design a sustainable island and on the final day we would be asked to present our work to a representative from Ford UK. We were organised into groups and began to feel very excited about the days ahead! We were very lucky to have sessions with lecturers who gave us extra information for our projects. Later that day, we took photos in teams around the campus and did some team building exercises in the evening.

The next day, beside our project work, we took part in a sustainability tour around campus and watched a science-based film in the evening. Throughout the course of the trip, we were able to make lots of new friends from different schools who we still talk to now!

On Thursday, we participated in various water pump challenges and visited the university's observatory, before spending the evening doing Zumba in one of the amazing sports facilities on campus. These activities were great fun and allowed us to experience some of the clubs on campus.

On our last day, we presented our sustainable island ideas and had an awards ceremony. One of the awards went to Mr Ward for the 'Biggest Drama Queen', which we all thought that he deserved after the Zumba! To finish off the trip, we said goodbye to our new friends and thank you to everyone who had made it such an invaluable learning opportunity.

The trip allowed us to meet and work with new people, experience university life and gain a valuable insight into STEM careers, which made it an excellent and fun experience. Thank you to Mr Ward and all of the wonderful university staff and students who helped during the trip!

Rebecca Turton, 11S



## LINCOLN TRIATHALON

Tom McEnery and Archie Adams competed in the Lincoln Triathlon this term and performed extremely well.

Tom came 34th, having completed an extra lap on his bike! And Archie 31st.

Both boys had a great time and competed against athletes from all over the East Midlands. Lincoln Junior Triathlon is the last Junior triathlon in the East Midlands series of the season.

Both boys scored points for their club, The Ketton Panthers. Archie had to swim 300m, 6 lengths, bike 6.4km & run 2.4km which he completed in a time of 33min. Tom swam 200m, completed 4 km on the bike and ran 1.8km. He was pleased with his time of 28 min. The weather was not great, it was cold, windy and wet but neither boys let this deter them.

Mrs Powell





## NATIONAL SPACE CENTRE

The trip to the National Space Centre was very educational, and encouraged us to engage with our learning. For instance, during a "Rocket Science" demonstration in the centre's Planetarium, we were able to use buttons to answer questions, and our answers were then discussed afterwards. The experiments we watched were interesting, and got us in the mood for a more practical activity. After the talk, we had a workshop where we worked in pairs to program LEGO Mars Rovers and their movements around obstacles. This hands-on experience allowed us to use our problem-solving and teamwork skills.

We also explored the centre in small groups, where we could take a more independent approach to our learning experience and read exhibits at our own pace. Overall, the day was very engaging and allowed us to work in groups we had not worked with before and work on communication, teamwork and educational skills.

Rebecca Turton, 11S

