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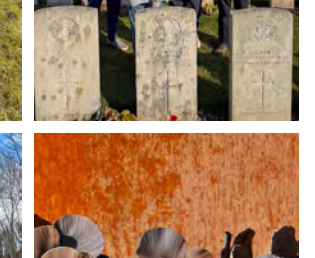
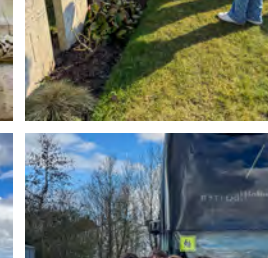
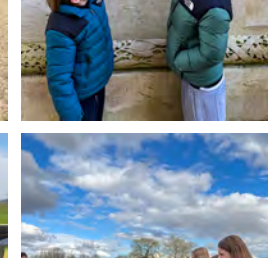
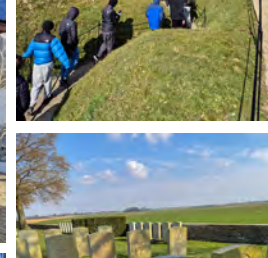
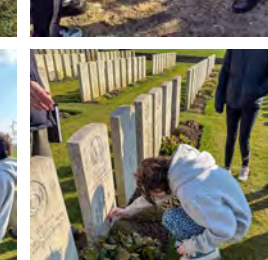
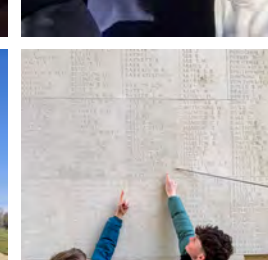
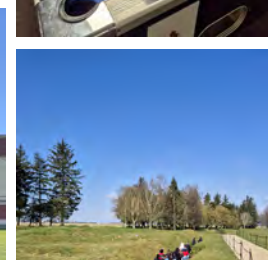
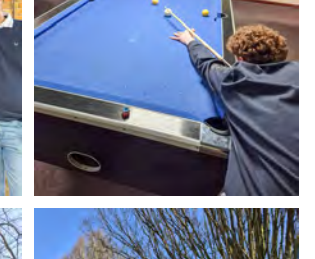
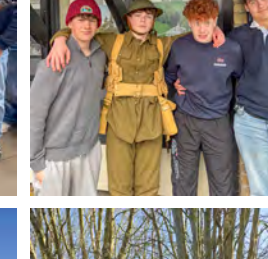
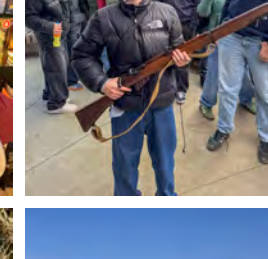
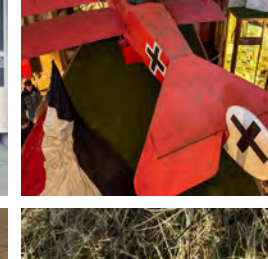
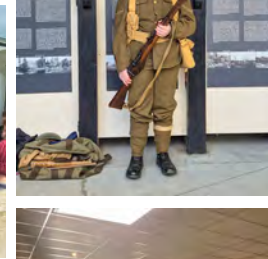
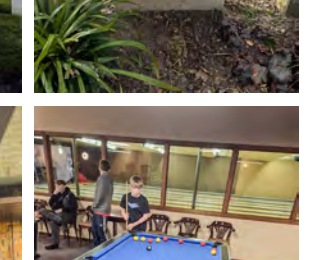
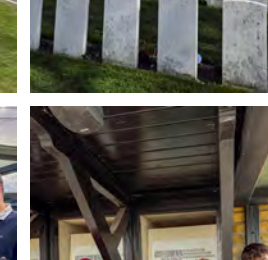
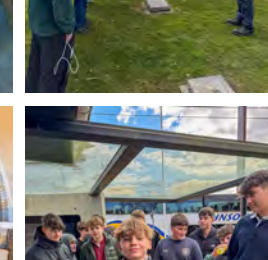
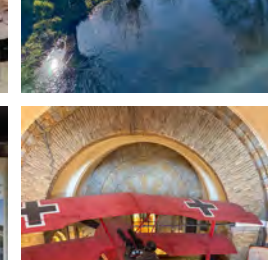
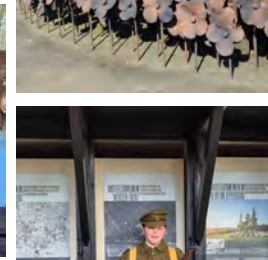
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AND MUCH MORE



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BATTLEFIELDS RESIDENTIAL

Earlier this term, 60 students joined our Humanities team for an unforgettable three-day tour of Ypres and the Somme, gaining a profound understanding of the sacrifices made during WWI. From exploring historic battlefields and preserved trenches to witnessing the powerful Last Post Ceremony at the Menin Gate, the experience was both educational and deeply moving. A particularly special moment was Esme visiting her relative's memorial at the Battle of the Somme, and Jacob discovering his relative's name on the Menin Gate—before taking part in the ceremony himself. A truly humbling experience. There was also time for some fun! Congratulations to Charlie, our student bowling champion, and Mr. Franklin, who took the win for the teachers.

A huge thank you to all staff, students, and guides for making this trip so memorable.



GERMAN EXCHANGE

"On the first day, we explored Schwäbisch Hall, taking in the sights on a walking tour, visiting a museum, and enjoying some shopping time. It was a great way to bond with our exchange partners and friends. Later in the week, we visited the Technik Museum, where we had time to explore, chat, and make new friends. The food in Germany was amazing—especially the bread! My exchange family was so welcoming and made me feel right at home." – Year 10 Student

"The week was incredible! We had trips to an art hall in Schwäbisch and a technical museum. I also got to watch my partner's football and handball training sessions, and we even went to a Stuttgart game together!" – Louis

"The Catmose exchange programme is fantastic! It brings language learning to life, builds confidence, and gives students incredible experiences. My child has completed two exchanges and is already planning a return trip! Welcoming a German student into our home was so rewarding—we learned so much about German life and culture. It takes some organisation, but it's 100% worth it!" – Parent

A huge thank you to everyone involved in making this exchange so special!

YEAR 7 THEATRE TRIP

Our Year 7 students had an unforgettable time on their final Catmose College performing arts trip of the term! Starting with an energetic workshop at Pineapple Dance Studios, they then immersed themselves in the magic of Matilda at the Cambridge Theatre.

Now, the excitement is building as we can't wait to see them bring songs from the show to life later this year!





LIONESS SUCCESS

Huge congratulations to Year 9 student Hannah! She was recently selected for the England WU15s Young Lionesses squad, taking part in their March training camp and international matches against Scotland and Spain. Hannah had an unforgettable week at St George's Park and even earned her first cap against Scotland. What an achievement!



OAKHAM RUGBY

Well done to our talented students who represented Oakham RFC U15s in the County Plate Final. They played with incredible intensity and displayed some outstanding skills throughout the match. Reaching the County Plate Final is a fantastic achievement. Congratulations to all the players.



BASKETBALL SUCCESS

Back-to-back-to-back champions! Our Year 9 girls won the Team Leicestershire Basketball Final with an impressive 44-17 victory for the third year in a row!

A huge shoutout to Erin, our Player of the Match, for her excellent defence and hard work.



POSH TRIAL

Year 11 student Finlay recently took part in the Peterborough United Foundation Football Team trials as he prepares for his football scholarship next year. A great opportunity and experience. Well done, Finlay!



BRONZE AND SILVER DUKE OF EDINBURGH PRACTICE EXPEDITIONS

Our Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) students have made great progress on their journey toward achieving their Bronze and Silver Awards by successfully completing a challenging practice expedition. This important milestone reflects not only their growing skills and confidence, but also their outstanding dedication, teamwork, and perseverance. We are incredibly proud of the effort and commitment they have shown throughout the experience.



SPRING CONCERT

We were delighted to welcome parents, guardians, and family members into the theatre for this year's Spring Concert. The evening showcased a fantastic variety of musical performances from students across all year groups at Harington School and Catmose College.

From orchestral pieces and choral arrangements to solo performances, the event highlighted the students' incredible talent and dedication. It was a wonderful celebration of their hard work, and we sincerely thank everyone who attended to support and enjoy the performances.





ARKWRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to Year 11 students Oliver and Luke on being awarded Arkwright Scholarships after successfully completing a rigorous selection process. This involved submitting a detailed application form, undertaking a personal engineering project, demonstrating their problem-solving skills through aptitude exams, and participating in an interview.

Arkwright Scholarships are among the most prestigious in the field, designed to inspire and support future engineering leaders in pursuing their ambitions and making a global impact.

Their applications have been supported by the College's Academic Scholarship programme.



ALICIA KEARNS MP VISIT

We were delighted to welcome Alicia Kearns MP to the College, where she spoke with our Student Council and the Senate from Harington School about the apolitical petition to save Rutland's ceremonial county status.

Our students engaged in a thought-provoking discussion and asked fantastic questions.

A huge thank you to Alicia Kearns for taking the time to speak with us.



NON-UNIFORM DAY SUPPORT

A huge thank you to everyone who took part in our Non-Uniform Day at the end of term to support Birmingham Children's Hospital and Charity.

This cause is especially close to one of our student's hearts, as he received incredible care from the hospital and wanted to give back. Thanks to everyone's generosity, we've raised £1606 to help other children receive the amazing support they deserve.

APPRENTICESHIP & CAREERS EVENT

We recently hosted our annual Apprenticeship & Careers Event, welcoming a wide range of employers, universities, and training providers. Students from the College and Harington School explored future opportunities in employment, education, and apprenticeships.

Mrs Meynell, Student Career Lead: "We run this event to showcase the growing range of options available after College."

A huge thank you to all the organisations who joined us.

We are now inviting businesses to our next My Future Event (Wednesday 24 September 2025) and Employer Encounter Experiences (April & June 2025). Interested? Email us at careers@catmosecollege.com



POETRY BY HEART

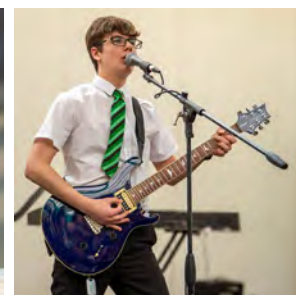
As part of our Year 8 poetry unit, students took on the challenge of reciting a poem from memory in our 'Poetry By Heart' competition. Last week, the top 14 finalists delivered incredible performances in front of their peers, impressing the judges with their expression, confidence, and passion for poetry. Huge congratulations to Natasha, Lucy, Helene, and Jazmin-Jain, who wowed the judges and took home the top prizes! Well done to all who participated.



ROTARY YOUNG WRITER WINNERS

Our talented Year 8 students have embraced the eerie and atmospheric world of Gothic Literature by entering the Young Writers "Fight or Flight" competition! Through this fantastic challenge, they explored tension, suspense, and atmosphere, crafting gripping short stories. We are beyond proud to announce that a record number of our students have been selected for publication! Their work will be featured in a nationwide anthology, showcasing their incredible creativity and storytelling skills. What an achievement!





BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Our annual Battle of the Bands was an epic showdown. Huge respect to Melodic Fusion, The Weasels, Formerly The Liberty, BOXD, Lowburn and Amplitude for rocking the Hellerup with their incredible performances. Congratulations to BOXD for taking the victory in a tight competition and well done to all the bands for their courage and talent.





ROTARY YOUNG CHEF

Well done to Year 8 student Elsa for representing Catmose College in the local final of the Rotary Young Chef competition at Loughborough College.

Elsa impressed the judges with her expertly cooked pan-fried chicken breast, served with crispy potatoes, greens, and a white wine mustard sauce, followed by a zesty lemon tart with fresh raspberries.

She was one of the youngest competitors, and received high praise from the chef for her impressive skills and fantastic flavours.



ROBOTIC WORKSHOP

Year 9 students recently took part in a Robotic workshop at College. They had a hands-on experience, building and programming robots using a kit and coding techniques. The main challenge of the workshop was to construct a robot capable of navigating a circuit without colliding with strategically placed cones. The ultimate goal was to complete the circuit in the shortest time possible using teamwork, problem-solving, and technical skills. The workshop was a resounding success that sparked inspiration among the students, motivating them to explore further possibilities in robotics and paving the way for their future endeavours in STEM-related fields.

BRITISH ARMY BAND WORKSHOP

The College welcomed the British Army Band Colchester for a day filled with musical activities, including performances from the marching band, jazz band, pop band, and concert band. Students had the unique opportunity to play alongside experienced professional musicians, gaining valuable insight into life in a military band. The day concluded with a well-received performance for parents and staff, making it a memorable and inspiring experience for all involved.



WORLD BOOK DAY BOOK SWAP

To celebrate World Book Day, our English scholars hosted a Book Swap at College. Students brought in books and swapped them during break and lunch, discovering new reads and sharing their favourites. It was amazing to see so many book lovers come together!



MUSEUM TRIP

Year 10 GCSE Photography students took a trip to Oakham County Museum this term to explore the Youth Art Exhibition. They viewed the artwork, explored historical artefacts, and learned about local history. A talk from the museum's lead educator provided insights for their art event reviews and introduced them to careers in the field. A fantastic opportunity to connect art with history!





Catmose College presents

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THURSDAY 1 MAY 2025 7PM
FRIDAY 2 MAY 2025 7PM
SATURDAY 3 MAY 2.30PM & 7PM

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Music and Lyrics by QUEEN
Story and Script by BEN ELTON
Young@Part Edition adapted by Marc Tumminelli and originally
workshopped at Broadway Workshop in NYC
"WE WILL ROCK YOU Young@Part" is presented through special
arrangement with and all authorised performance materials are
supplied by Theatrical Rights Worldwide (TRW),
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WHAT'S ON



SCAN TO KEEP
UP-TO-DATE
WITH EVENTS

APRIL 2025

Tuesday 22	Term 5. College opens
Wednesday 23	DofE Silver kit check
Thursday 24	Year 9 & Juliet Theatre Trip
Thursday 24	We Will Rock You Technical rehearsal
Thursday 25-27	DofE Silver practice - Cannock Chase
Monday 28	We Will Rock You Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 29	Year 7 Employer Encounters
Wednesday 30	We Will Rock You performance

MAY 2025

Thursday 1	We Will Rock You performance
Thursday 1	UKMT Junior Mathematical Challenge
Friday 2	We Will Rock You performance
Friday 2	Year 11 Macbeth Theatre Trip
Saturday 3	We Will Rock You matinee
Saturday 3	We Will Rock You performance
Monday 5	BANK HOLIDAY
Tuesday 6	Year 10 Stamford College Trip
Wednesday 7	DofE Bronze Expedition group 1 Kit check
Thursday 8	Year 10 Stamford College Trip
Friday 9-10	DofE Bronze training & practice expedition group 1
Friday 9	Non-uniform day for Alzheimers
Friday 9	Year 11 tea party
Monday 12-13	Year 7 Lincoln Trip
Wednesday 14	DofE Bronze Expedition group 2 Kit check
Friday 16-17	DofE Bronze training & practice expedition group 2
Friday 16	Year 10 World of Work/ Aspirations week
Tuesday 20	Year 10 Cambridge Art Trip
Wednesday 21-27	Year 9& 10 French Exchange Away Leg
Thursday 22	Year 8 HPV vaccination
Friday 23-26	Iceland Residential
Friday 23	Term 5. College closes.