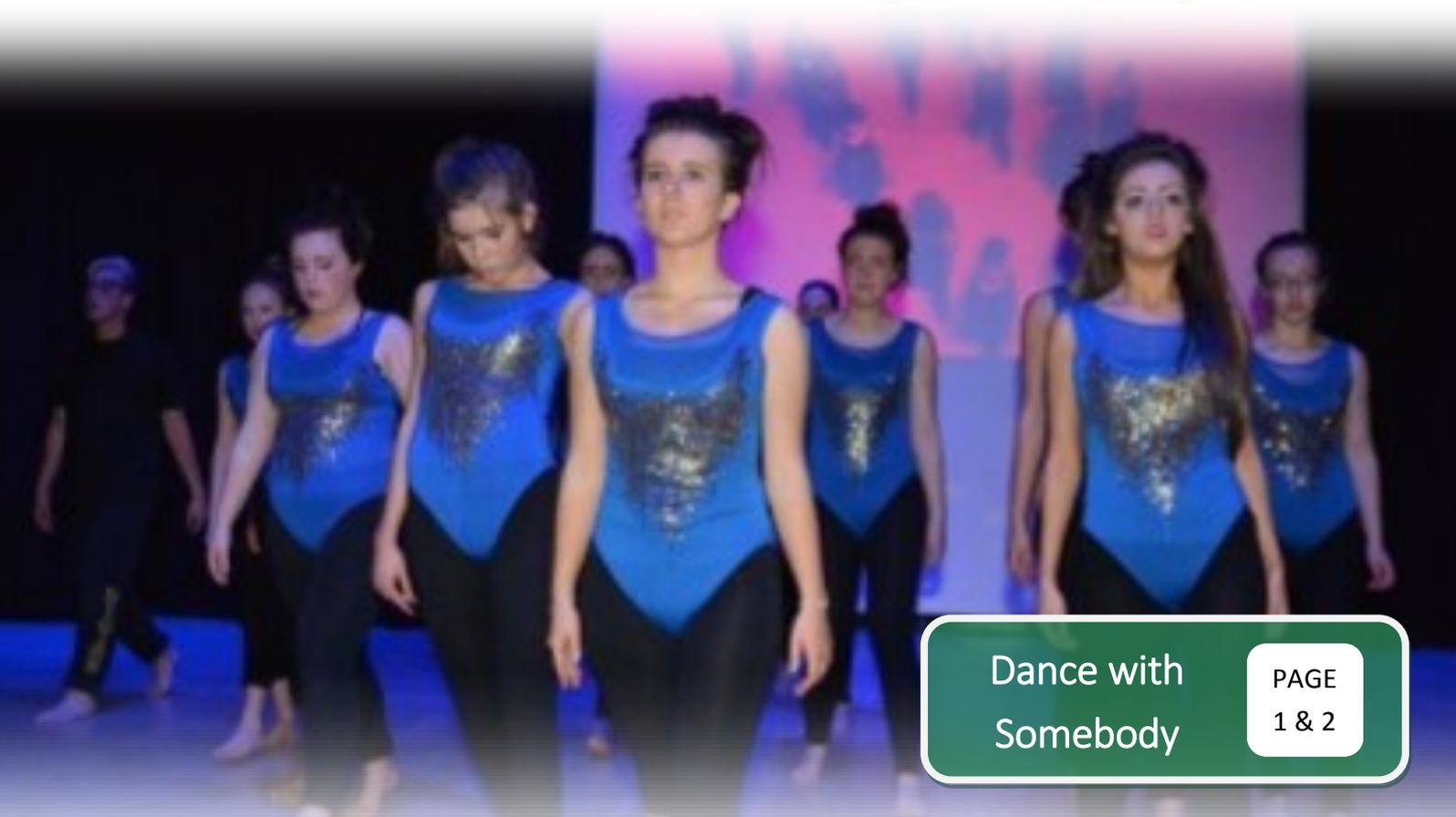


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The first night of the dance show opened to a full house who came to support over 160 pupils in our fourth dance show *Dance with Somebody*. The dancers had been working tirelessly over the past nine months to learn and perfect their routines which were choreographed by both dance teachers as well as Toni Hall, Tara Hall, Abigail Ainsworth, Leah Walton, Jasmine Mather and Lewis Barton. Pupils from all year groups includ-

ing GCSE groups and BTEC groups danced their hearts out and were true professionals even when there were technical issues in the opening show. The second performance on the Wednesday night was flawless and the dance staff were so proud of each and every pupil that took part. Some pupils performed their BTEC solos and Kayleigh Murray

Dance with Somebody



brought the house down with her dance to an Olly Murs hit. The year 11s tried their best to get Miss Cunningham and Miss Clayton in tears with their leaving speeches and surprised them with tickets to *Footloose* paid for by all of the pupils that took part in the show. Miss Cunningham would like to thank Miss Clayton for

all of her hard work in the dance show and let her know that she will be sorely missed. Thank you to all the members of staff who helped at the dance show, Miss Lowe who made some gorgeous costumes for *Happy* and Miss Clegg and Miss Hartley who offer their time every Tuesday after school to supervise dance club. The pupils and dance staff are so thankful for your time.





Coming up

19TH JUNE Secondary dance festival at Denton Community College

GCSE dance, Divas Blitz and Frozen dancers

21ST JUNE Rehearsals for the whole of the cheerleading squad 10am - 5pm

22ND JUNE UKCA National Cheerleading competition 7am - 6:30pm

The Divas have their annual cheerleading competition coming up on Sunday 22nd June. Last year they earned many trophies but were beat to first place due to a technical error. Fingers crossed this doesn't happen this year. They have been working super hard at practices and they deserve some 1st place trophies.

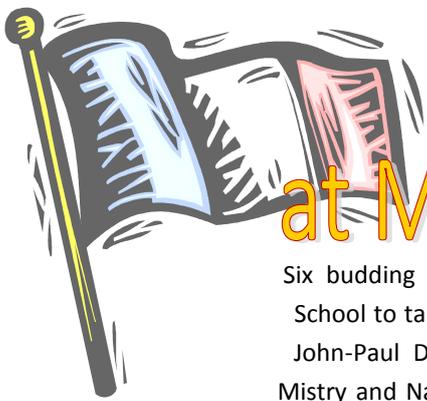
23RD JUNE Flash mob at Teach First opening ceremony at Manchester Museum

25TH JUNE Fashion Sale and Show 6-9pm (OVER 16s ONLY)

Copley are hosting the amazing Fashion Sale and Show by Shop2Drop Ltd with local companies also setting up stalls. There are clothes from outlets such as River Island, Per Una, Next, George, Ralph Lauren, Calvin Klein and many more. All clothes have up to 75% off with some items selling for as little as 50p! Tickets for this event are available from Miss Cunningham at £5 each. Mums, sisters, grandmas, aunties and family friends are all invited to help fundraise for the cheerleaders.

9TH JULY Tameside Cheerleading Competition - Divas Glitz, Sparkles and Dazzles

12TH JULY St ChristoFEST - All Divas (letters to follow)



French Day at Millbrook Primary

Six budding linguists from year 7 went to Millbrook Primary School to take part in their annual French Day. Amisha Chohan, John-Paul Derwent, Thomas Singleton-Kelly, Tulsi Patel, Neha Mistry and Nathan Barber spent the morning teaching the pupils and playing games with nearly all the children at the local primary

school. Miss Hall would like to say a big 'merci' to the group for being so confident and enthusiastic which meant that the primary pupils had a great experience. Many thanks also go to Mrs Woolliscroft and Mr France for taking the pupils to Millbrook, without them the trip could not have taken place.

Miss Hall MFL teacher



Miss Cunningham took ten pupils to an audition at The Dancehouse in Manchester for the professional pantomime production of Aladdin. Leah Walton, Morgan Dransfield, Caitlin Threadgold and Rebecca Gunby all got a call back for the second round of auditions and they are awaiting the call to find out whether they have been successful.

Good luck girls!

Year 7 parents go back 2 school

Parents of some of our year 7 pupils were invited into the science department for some fun experiments to try out. They got to experience what life is like for their children studying science at Copley Academy. The workshop gave them an opportunity to see their children use scientific equipment and show off their knowledge. A lot of fun was had by all and the Mums and Dads were very keen to come in again. If you would like to join us for our next session then please contact either Mrs Burke or Mrs Payne at school. We would love to see you!



Mrs Burke Science teacher



Family Support Charity



Last term our Community and Engagement Governor, Steve Moss requested

help from some of our able ICT pupils in developing a website for a charity he set up called FSC (Family Support Charity), which offers support to victims of domestic abuse. Following recommendations from Mr Johnson, Sophie Jackson, Charlotte Troy and Jordan Howard were asked to help.

Mr Moss commented by letter "I am writing to express my thanks for Copley Academy's support for FSC by enabling Sophie, Charlotte and Jordan to assist in developing a website for the charity. Your students have been brilliant both in terms of what they produced and in their attitudes, showing genuine interest in our work in tackling domestic abuse and commitment to go the extra mile. They are a credit to Copley and you should be justifiably proud of them and the role of the school in developing such marvellous young people."

As a token of gratitude the pupils were presented with £30 of high street vouchers and a donation was also made to support Copley's pupil rewards scheme.

Mrs Barnes Assistant Head

New leadership roles in school

All pupils who applied for our new student leadership groups and committees have now been interviewed. Congratulations to all of our successful applicants. Watch this space for more information about the committees and their impact around school.

The year 9 dodge ball team won the senior competition supporting Copley's Tameside Olympic campaign. Needless to say they were very pleased with themselves, especially as they were one player short for the entire competition.

Copley Academy Sports News

Around fifty eight year 8 students and twenty four year 7s entered the Junior Maths Challenge on 1st May 2014.

From this, year 7 Ethan Moss and year 8s Chloe Hadfield, Robyn Hogan, Jasmine Graham, Caitlin Wilson, Lauryn Rowlett-Jones, Amy Thompson and Oliver Williams all gained Bronze certificates.

Olivia Goodwin and Roisin Carr both gained a Silver certificate whilst year 8 Michael Sharp won a Gold certificate and got the best result in the school.

Well done to everyone who took part.

Mrs Schofield Maths teacher

This month the senior handball team (combination of year 9s and 10s) came 3rd in Tameside. It was a very close competition and not only did they narrowly miss out on 1st or 2nd place on goal difference but were the only team to beat the overall winners St Thomas More.

Teachers beat the pupils 2-1 in a hard fought charity football match earlier this month. All money raised from ticket sales will go to Willow Wood Hospice.



Following the Easter break a team of six including Reece Whittaker, Claudiu Peaurt-Stefan, Chloe Ferguson, Florence Brennand, Miss Hartley and Mr Dawson, set off on an adventure to Denmark. We all had a very early morning meeting at Manchester Airport for our 6:30am flight to Copenhagen via Frankfurt. The first flight to Frankfurt went without a hitch but it was when we arrived in Germany that it all went wrong! With only fifty minutes to catch a connecting flight and a few security hiccups which included two pupils being frisked and a teacher having their bag searched we had missed our flight. However, after a trip to the ticket desk we were quickly transferred onto the next available flight which was four hours later. To pass the time, Miss Hartley along with the four students ventured into the airport to have a look around the various shops. However, on our return to the café where Mr Dawson was waiting we were suddenly stopped by an airport official who requested to see our boarding passes which were on the other side of the airport with Mr Dawson! The men left to find a solution, returning five minutes later with four armed German police officers. After explaining again what had happened, they informed us that Miss Hartley would have to be escorted through security to the café where Mr Dawson was waiting. Luckily, after a tense few minutes, we all managed to return to the café in one piece and waited patiently for our next flight to Copenhagen which was followed by a three hour train ride to Aarhus. After a very, very long day of travelling, we eventually made it to



our final destination and were met off the train by all of our host families and the Danish teachers ready to escort us to our new homes for the week to get some rest.

On our first morning in Denmark, after some much needed sleep, we

arrived at Søndervangskolen in a small town called Hammel. Here, we were introduced to all the other students and teachers from the three other countries taking part: Turkey, Greece and Romania. We were all shown towards the classrooms that we were going to be in for the day, Florence and Chloe in year 10 and Claudiu and Reece in year 9.

We soon began to notice the differences between their school and Copley. For one, it was the teachers who would move to the different classrooms at the start of each lesson, rather than the students. Also, none of the pupils wore uniform and at break times were allowed to play football and ride their skateboards along the corridors and within their year areas.

Throughout the day, we attended lessons in Danish, English, German, Life Studies, PE and many other subjects. At break and lunch times, we would all meet up and sometimes have lunch together with the other students before having a game of football. It was really interesting to spend time in their English lessons, learning what they knew about our own culture and asking many questions about theirs. The day in school went quickly and soon it was time to head home to spend time getting to know our host families a little better.

The next morning all the staff and pupils left the classroom to explore the nearby city of Aarhus and more specifically the Old Village. It was brilliant reconstruction of varying lifestyles from several eras, this town was a perfect, engaging way to tell people of the history of a country; a true living museum.

When we arrived at the village, we were directed towards a set of benches where we sat down to eat our lunch.



Hammel, Denmark

Comenius Project

After lunch, the Comenius group split into two for our guided tour. Both our group and the Greek students were assigned to the tour based on the life of Hans Christian Andersen. We learnt all about the hardships this famous author faced and even got to explore the interiors of some of the houses.

First, we were directed to Hans Christian Andersen's mother's house where we were introduced to the simple furniture available to people in poverty and were shown the place where he worked with an old shoemaker. Next, we were directed to the school where the young children studied which was very small and quite cramped when we entered. We were challenged with finding something that was missing besides the teacher and the pupils. Someone eventually figured out that there was no blackboard but there were guns in the corner for the boys to learn how to fight.

After the tour had finished, we were given an hour to roam freely around the town. We bought souvenirs and again entered the interiors of some houses before it was time to leave the old village and travel to our next destination. Himmelbjerg is a small town about an hour drive from where we were staying and offered one of the highest points in Denmark, known locally as 'Sky Mountain' - although it was really just a very big hill! This offered fantastic views of the surrounding Lake District and was a good opportunity for both staff and students to take some photos of the scenery. There were also some nearby shops and cafés that allowed us to stock up on



Danish sweets and buy the odd souvenir for our families.

After leaving the brilliant mountain views, we then travelled back down hill to catch a boat across the lake towards Silkeborg. This again provided us with amazing views of the surrounding towns, the island in the centre and of course the very expensive houses on the lake front. We even got to sample one of the famous Danish sweets. After a long day sightseeing, we left the Lakes and boarded the bus back to Hammel and to our Danish family.

Our last day in Denmark was spent back in the school learning about all of the other countries and their culture, but also about our own traditions. We all spent the day preparing traditional dishes from our own country; we cooked up a lovely cottage pie, followed by a traditional English bakewell tart. After lots of preparing and even more washing up, we changed into traditional costumes and sat down to dine with our fellow students. Each country stood up to introduce their food before we were able to sample delicacies from each culture. The food was amazing and it was great to try new things we had never tasted and in some cases never even seen before. We finished off the evening by taking it in turns to teach each country songs and dances from our own cultures. We learnt traditional dances from Turkey, Greece, Denmark and Romania and then we rounded off the evening by teaching everyone the Hokey Cokey and singing some English songs with Mr Dawson accompanying on the guitar.



After a lovely week in Denmark it was time to go home and so on Friday morning we packed our cases and set off back to the train station ready for our three hour train ride back to Copenhagen. We said our goodbyes and there were lots of hugs and even tears as we thanked our new friends for their generous hospitality and promised that we would stay in touch. We were sad to leave behind all of the people we had spent the last week living with but were happy to know that we had left with fantastic memories and new, lifelong friends.



Message from author Tom Palmer:

I hope you're looking forward to the World Cup. I am. I think England might make it as far as the quarter finals. I hope we do better, of course. Maybe we will. Someone has to win it...

*I'm also looking forward to writing *Foul Play: Brazil*. I will write each chapter about 10 pm every night. Even later some nights. Then it'll be ready for you to read every school morning by 8am. The story will be driven by what happens in Brazil on and off the pitch, so I'm not really sure what it'll be about. What I can tell you is I want to make it exciting and dangerous for Danny and Charlotte, my football detectives. So it's exciting for you. That's the plan.*

At least twice during the story you'll have a chance to vote for what happens next. Probably on Fridays. Look out for that. I hope you find lots to read during the tourna-

ment too. Newspaper match reports. Magazines. Fact books. Stories. There's a lot of World Cup stuff to read out there. And a lot of non-World Cup stuff too, if you're not into football.

So... have a great World Cup and happy reading to all of you.

*Best wishes
Tom*

Chapters 1—8 are already online. Catch up and follow the rest of Tom's story via the link on the LRC Blog page on the Copley website.



Poetry Open Mic Event

All Welcome
on Thursday 10th July
in the LRC

Summer Holiday Theme

Come and perform a poem
of your choice and receive a
seasonal treat!

There is just one month remaining to get your name
on the 2013-14 100% quiz Accelerated Reader
board. Will you be a reading millionaire this year?

The countdown is on!

World Cup Reading Selfie Competition

Have your photo taken holding something you have read that relates to the World Cup. It could be a newspaper, a book, a magazine. Even a Panini sticker album!

One pupil will be chosen at random to win a prize. Photos will be displayed in the LRC and can be emailed to Mrs Holding until the end of July.



Who's got the BooX Factor?

Sixteen pupils signed up for BooX Factor 2014 to promote one of their favourite books in an interesting and entertaining way. Several pupils asked to join in at the last minute as they had been inspired by other contestants (and the chocolate on offer). Mr France came back this year to judge and was accompanied by guest judges Miss Bayley and Mrs Newton. Josh Tommins joined the panel as peer judge and did a wonderful job. Thank you to them all for giving up their free time for us.

Poppy Taylor was the people's champion and won the audience vote for her promotion speech about *The Mermaid Curse*. Third place from the judges went to Christopher Quinlivan for *The Diary of a Wimpy Kid* and second place to Claudiu Stefan for a *Beast Quest* book. Claudiu also doubled as our event photographer and did a great job. First place went to a trio of presenters Sauloman Hashmi, Brandon Barrett and Kesara Rathnayake who shared the task of promoting a *Wimpy Kid* book. The judges awarded 35 out of a possible 40 and commended the confident and enthusiastic delivery. The overall winners of the voting will each receive 500 Vivos and the runners up will receive 200 each.



Thanks to everyone who took part and came to watch and special thanks to Keiran Wilkinson who stage managed the event and did a brilliant job. All our school librarians do a fantastic job on a daily basis but they excelled themselves with this event. A list of all the books featured is available on request and they are in the LRC to borrow.

Mrs Holding is on the lookout for reading role models this summer. To become a reading role model all you need to do is get caught reading around school by a member of staff to receive a gift. Bring evidence of you reading on holiday or at home to a sibling and you will also receive a prize. Evidence could be a photograph of you with your nose in your top summer read! Photographs may be displayed in school. The role model challenge runs from now until the end of September.

Be a
Reading
Role
Model

What's APPenin'?

Year 8 Copley Voice tech reporter Keiran Wilkinson will be keeping us up-to-date and telling us what is happening in the world of apps. Kieran will be testing apps, reviewing and rating them every issue.

Name: **Spanish**

Publisher: **Bravolol**

Price: **Free**

Purpose: **Language**

Star Rating: **4.5/5**



I really enjoyed using this app. I found that it is very useful for GCSE students as I have been informed that the topics on it include the same ones as in the work for GCSE exams. I like the feature that allows you to slow the speed of the person saying the word down so you can hear all the sounds. Also I think that the integrated accounts for Google and Facebook is very useful so you can use one device and have your progress tracked on the other. The app is not finished yet there are always more topics being made.

Anti-Bullying logo winner

Year 11 student Joshua Tommins has won a competition to design an Anti-Bullying logo for school. Product design teacher Mrs Niknejad, Anti-Bullying Ambassadors Lewis Downend and Abbie Brookes and Anti-Bullying Coordinator Mrs Cunnington were on the judging panel which chose the winning design from the entries. Josh's winning logo was digitally transformed by Mrs Niknejad and will be used in school from September.

Mrs Cunnington commented "We had a lot of entries for the competition and it was very difficult to decide on the winning logo. Josh's logo was clear and to the point. Well done, Josh on your success and as you leave Year 11 and Copley Academy you can say you left your mark for future pupils at the school."

As for Josh, when he was told of his success he said he felt very happy with the digital enhancement of his design and proud that it will be used around Copley even when he has moved on.

Congratulations Josh and all the best in the future!



Give & Gain DAY 2014

Year 7, 9 and 10 pupils took part in the annual Give & Gain Day earlier this term. Kyle Myatt, Matthew Williams, Chloe Ferguson, Emily Davies, Katelyn Booth, Ellie Sherrington and Connor Green joined 14,000 other people from across the UK and countless others around the world who stepped out on 16th May to



volunteer within their communities. Copley pupils took part in a town tidy up based around Melbourne Street in Stalybridge centre. Along with other Tameside volunteers and Copley staff they cleaned shop fronts and tidied around the empty shop units. Some pupils weeded the paved pedestrian street whilst other painted up the exterior of the charity shop. Their efforts were much appreciated by the locals with the improvements clear to see.

To find out more about the Give & Gain initiative visit the website www.giveandgainday.org.uk.





Year 7 are looking forward to Camp Copley which is set to begin in two weeks time. The groups have a week of camping, outdoor activities and countryside hikes to look forward to under the guidance of Mr Taylor.



**15 DAYS
TO GO!**

Those attending Camp Copley must return their completed permission slips and medical forms to Mr Taylor as soon as possible.

CAMP COPLEY 2014



Well done to year 11 who have made it to the end of the exams. For those still unsure of what their next steps might be there is a careers and apprenticeship event coming up to provide some guidance.

Tameside Careers and Apprenticeship Fair

This is a free event with any year 11s, parents, carers or those currently not in education, employment or trade welcome to attend. There will be a wide selection of career and learning activities and lots of qualified staff to offer advice and guidance.

Date Tuesday 15th July 2014

Time 3pm-7pm

Location Dukinfield Town Hall

Do you want to work on the Copley Voice next year?

We are looking for pupils interested in writing articles, taking photographs and running regular features.

Register your interest now with Miss Bayley by emailing your ideas to ebayley@copleyacademy.org.uk.



THANK YOU

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