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Welcome

Welcome to our summer edition of 'Junior Hoc Age'. We are thrilled to share with you a vast array of exciting events from the spring and summer terms, including a host of diverse activities, trips and extra-curricular learning opportunities.

'Junior Hoc Age' offers the chance to revisit and reflect upon the disparate and wide-ranging opportunities that our pupils embrace on a daily basis at Clock House. This edition takes a final glance back over the academic year to celebrate the fantastic successes of many of our pupils.

Our committed journalists have researched, written and delivered a multitude of articles for your perusal. Articles featuring in this edition are an eclectic amalgamation of exciting activities including fantastic residential trips; a summary of the recent Brownlee Triathlon; the super General Knowledge Interschool Competition success; a look back at the Clock House Ski Trip and much more ...

We hope that you will enjoy reflecting upon the wonderful opportunities available to pupils this term and enjoy a restful summer break.

We look forward to delivering a fresh summary of superb adventures in the autumn term.

Kerry Howes
L. Marsden

Miss Howes & Miss Marsden

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Amusing Abbey House Trip

On Tuesday 24 April 2018, Year 2 went on an exciting trip to a Victorian house called Abbey House.

At Abbey House, Year 2 went to an ironing shop crammed full of interesting metal objects. Other activities included dressing up as Victorians, colouring in Punch and Judy puppets (and acting with them!) and fun show-and-tell sessions of Victorian artefacts. The trip was lots of fun for all the pupils, and informative for even the teachers!

'The colouring was lots of fun!' said one pupil. 'I enjoyed the dressing up the most, but it was all very fun!' said another.

Overall, the year twos had a very enjoyable time at Abbey Hall.

E BURKE, YEAR 6

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Rocks, rivers and so much more!

On the 11 April, Year 5 excitedly filed onto the coach and set off to Bewerley Park, an outdoor education centre located near Harrogate. Upon arrival, pupils and staff were designated the dormitories that they would be sleeping in for the next couple of days.

After satisfying ravenous appetites with a tasty picnic lunch, Year 5 were divided into their separate activity groups and told which teachers and instructors they would be led by for the next action-packed few days. Immediately afterwards, they were whisked away to their different coloured classrooms to commence planning their fun-filled activities which included: bush craft, canoeing, rock scrambling and a river study; this tied in nicely with the geography topic of rivers.

After their enjoyable activities, pupils were treated to a nice warm shower and a tasty meal before gathering in the meeting room for an active group quiz that involved running all around the centre. Soon after, the out-of-breath pupils trudged into the middle of the woods where they found a carefully made campfire, perfect for roasting marshmallows. After sampling several burnt and sticky treats, it was time to return to the cosy dining hall. Delighted, Daniyal was surprised to receive a homemade birthday cake, baked especially by the kind staff at Bewerley Park for his special day. Pupils were lucky enough to receive a slice of scrumptious birthday cake along with a warm, sweet mug full of delicious hot chocolate.

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The following evening was a highlight for most, when everyone was able to take part in a variety of team-based activities including a memory game and a team building exercise, where pupils learnt how to cooperate and listen. The pupils were then able to join each other in the common room where they could hang out with their friends, listen to music, play table-football and table-tennis and buy a variety of sweets and little souvenirs to remember their amazing trip!

On the final day, Year 5 made the most of their last activity, handed in their soggy waterproofs and hiking boots, and finished packing their bulging cases, before posing for a fun group photo. Finally, it was time to depart with a collection of happy memories to share with their families upon their return.

E CROOKES AND C NATTRESS, YEAR 5

CAPTIONS

- 1 The trip was lots of fun for all the pupils, and informative for even the teachers!
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SEP

24 September
European Languages Week

25 September
Founders' Day

NOV/DEC

1-2 November
Harvest Appeal

14 November
Open Morning

27 November -
3 December
Book Fair

13 December
Christmas Concert

OCT

6 October
Open Day

10 October
Year 5 Online Safety

11 October
Year 3 Stone Age visit



Year 6 Sports' Tour

On 14 March 2018, Year 6 set off on an exciting journey to the Lake District.

On their way to the Youth Hostel in Hawkshead, they stopped off at Barnard Castle to take part in hockey and netball fixtures. The boys and girls played exceptionally well, exercising new skills they had learnt in school. After lunch, they left Barnard Castle and set off on their long journey to Hawkshead. When they arrived at the Youth Hostel, they were allocated to their rooms to unpack. After tea, the pupils went outside and played many enjoyable games in the dark.

The next morning, the pupils and teachers were very excited as they were going to visit a treetop adventure park known as, 'Go Ape'. The journey was longer than expected, but it was worth the wait when they arrived. Each pupil was equipped with a harness and they practised on a starter course. When they felt confident enough, the pupils moved onto a higher and more difficult treetop course. One of the most enjoyable sections of the course was the zip line due to the exhilarating thrill felt by most! On returning to the hostel, the pupils were weary and tired, but regained their energy for the evening activity (a quiz and bingo). After an exciting day, the pupils had a good sleep and were ready for the next day.

When the pupils woke up, they felt disappointed because this was the last day of their trip, but they still had some fantastic and fun activities to participate in. They packed their bags and set off to Lake Windermere for kayaking and paddle boarding. Unfortunately, the weather took a turn for the worse, the wind picked up and the lake was freezing.

After their amazing aquatic adventure, Year 6 departed to St Mary's Stonyhurst for a swimming gala. The pupils were divided into teams and competed in relay races. At the end of the gala, the pupils set off back to school.

After three days of fun, all of the pupils were exhausted but happy to be reunited with their parents again.

S SHASTRY AND W PALMER, YEAR 6

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Ingleborough Hall

On the 2 May, Year 3 embarked upon an exciting adventure to Ingleborough Hall. On the day of departure, brimming with an eager sense of anticipation, all of the pupils were enthusiastic and ready for two days of new and extraordinary experiences.

They set off for Clapham, a small village located in the Yorkshire Dales. On their way, they stopped at the Coniston Falconry Centre, where the pupils saw many birds of prey. A highlight at the Falconry Centre was when Eric the barn owl flew onto the children's arms, providing a first time experience for many pupils.

After lunch, the pupils continued on their journey. Finally, they arrived at Ingleborough Hall and excitedly unpacked their belongings. Later, the pupils enjoyed playing on the enormous lawn and the adventure playground. In the evening, Year 3 met Chris, who shared his country dancing expertise with the excited pupils. To their surprise, he did not speak for the first few dances, but that made it all the more fun! Everyone had a great time and they all took away some new moves to show their parents. Even the teachers were good dancers! At the end of the day, everyone was exhausted, but some of the nocturnal characters stayed up late to talk to their friends (much to Mr Smith's disgruntlement).

The next morning, all of the children woke in a light-hearted mood. They had a good breakfast and then reflected upon the activities of the previous day in their diaries. Afterwards, the children were split in to two groups: one went to learn about the village, the other about the hall itself. Both groups learnt many new facts and returned full of chatter.

Other highlights included the Nature Trail and a visit to the Ingleborough Show Cave. On the final day, pupils enjoyed a leisurely walk back to Ingleborough Hall, followed by a picnic lunch in the grounds.

Year 3 pupils are most grateful to all of the teachers who kindly gave up their time to facilitate such a fantastic experience.

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- 7 A fabulous treetop adventure!
- 8 An amazing aquatic adventure!

Dimanche
This was when the terrific town trail featured, which involved exploring the key landmarks of Risoul.

Lundi
This involved the appropriately named sensational snowshoeing (which is basically hiking up steep slopes wearing items like tennis rackets on your feet).

Mardi
Boisterous bum boarding came next. During this activity all pupils thoroughly enjoyed themselves, despite the playful collisions.

Mercredi
Something brand new and exciting known as crazy quingo (a mix between quiz and bingo) was a firm favourite amongst pupils.

Jeudi
There was something for those with a sweet-tooth and a love of films on Thursday. Pupils were invited to design their own crepes and indulge in a marvellous movie night, when they watched the appropriately titled film 'Snow Dogs'.

Vendredi
On Friday, the evening activity was the enchanted luge. All of the pupils gradually climbed up the mountainside in the luge carts and then they came whizzing down to the end of the track. Most of the pupils screamed on all of the extremely sharp corners as it felt as if they were going to plunge far below into the deep snow.

On 31 March, the accomplished skiers and accompanying members of staff returned late at night from their exhausting French expedition, full of stories to share with their families.

S TEMPLE, YEAR 6



Read all about it ...!

We'd love to hear about pupil achievements, both inside or outside of school, specific talents, competition successes, family or career news – in fact, anything at all that you or your family are proud of!

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Our Clock House pupils celebrated World Book Day and the Royal Wedding in admirable style!



Brilliant Brownlee Triathlon

On Tuesday 22 May, Clock House pupils, along with pupils from other local schools, participated in a fun non-competitive and inclusive mini triathlon.

This was organised by the Brownlee Foundation and delivered by the Triathlon Trust. It gave the children a chance to give triathlon a try and inspire them to get more active. The mini triathlon was suitable for all types of pupils, whether sporty or not, and for all ages. The challenge was to swim around the pool, cycle or scoot for one or two laps and then finish off with a run for one lap of the track. Previously, the Brownlee brothers themselves have been at the event, signing medals and other items. To finish off the fun, everybody received a medal and a 'goodie bag' full of treats, irrespective of their finishing time.

S TEMPLE AND E BURKE, YEAR 6



“...”
My favourite part was definitely dressing up. It was fun to imagine we were Tudors!

Shakespearean Shenanigans

On Friday 23 March, Clock House pupils dressed up as Tudors for Shakespeare Day.

Activities in lessons that day included: create your own Shakespearean insults, Shakespearean drama and performance, finding out where Shakespeare lived and more. Pupils thoroughly embraced their chance to go back in time and immerse themselves whilst dressed in Elizabethan costume.

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Gratifying General Knowledge

Rival schools went head-to-head in the semi-final of the General Knowledge inter-school competition, hosted at Westville House School in Ilkley on Tuesday 1 May.

After months of practice, the successful team from the previous round were armed and ready to answer questions. Unfortunately, the fantastic four (Samuel S, Aarez A, Hannad N and Henry S) did not make it to the final, but they had an enjoyable day, answering some very challenging general knowledge questions and learning how to act under pressure.

The quick thinking quartet battled through the rounds and came joint fourth overall with three other schools. They were five points away from third place, losing out marginally to the overall victors, RGS (Newcastle).

Henry reflected upon the performance stating, 'I was proud to answer one question correctly, in particular, since no other team knew the answer.'

Miss Hughes commended the pupils on their superb performance: 'It was lovely to see pupils from across the year groups working together so well; they formed a strong team and I was very proud of their determination and positivity. The quiz was so much fun to take part in; I was on the edge of my seat all of the way through. Now we are looking forward to entering again next year.'

E BURKE, YEAR 6

Sensational Spring Concert!

On Wednesday 21 March, Clock House pupils once again wowed the audience gathered in the illustrious Price Hall, including parents, grandparents and siblings, with their superb musical talents!

This exciting event commenced with the wind band performing the theme tune to 'Match of the Day'. Mrs Tatham turned heads



Outdoor Learning Day

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with her exceptional refereeing skills, putting Mr Brook and Mr Smales in their places.

Originally composed by Elton John, 'Can You Feel the Love Tonight?' was brilliantly played by the orchestra. Later in the night, brave Year 2 pupil, Shahzane, overcame his fears of public performance with his version of 'Good To Be Me' with which he had won the solo singing category for Years 2 and 3 in the House Music Competition earlier in the term. Eleanor Crookes also performed a superb piece on the cello called 'Galopede'.

A group of budding actresses and actors gave a taste of what is to come in Clock House's upcoming production 'Shakespeare Rocks' by performing the lively and humorous song 'To Be Or Not To Be'.

The concert ended with the whole school singing, 'I Can See Clearly Now the Rain Has Gone' which left the audience feeling elated.

C NATTRESS, YEAR 5

During 'Outdoor Learning Day', the enthusiastic pupils took part in many exciting things which allowed them to explore the outdoors away from the parameters of the classroom. Pupils became mathematical investigators by searching for obtuse, acute, straight and reflex angles; they also explored different areas of the playground equipped with protractors. 'Outdoor Science' involved making a skeleton out of stones, twigs, leaves and other natural objects.

Comparatively, 'Outdoor English' offered pupils an opportunity to write about the well-maintained garden using their five senses.

Year 6 pupil, Rose, had this to say: 'Outdoor Learning was so much fun. My favourite activity was the Blind Trail where we had to follow instructions from a partner whilst blindfolded. We really had to communicate with one another.'

E CROOKES, YEAR 5

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