

# MONTSAYE ACADEMY

## NEWS

December 2018

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Excellence Resilience Aspiration

It has been another very busy term at Montsaye Academy, in week 2 we welcomed her majesty's inspectors who fully recognised how Montsaye has improved. *"The headteacher has maintained extremely high expectations of staff and pupils. She is uncompromising in her aspiration for pupils' success in all that they do. Her clear vision is understood by all, and they are keen to achieve her ambition."* HMI Monitoring Inspection, Sep 2018. We expect a visit in the new year in which we will be able to showcase how standards are continuing to improve.



There is no complacency at Montsaye as you will see from this newsletter, we are proud of our achievements and ensure that our children get the absolute best that they deserve in terms of their curricular and extra curricular entitlement. As always, I am particularly proud of our children as they continue to excel in all aspects of their learning. There have been many events all of which represent our values of excellence, resilience and aspiration.

A huge thank you to all of my teaching and support staff who work tirelessly to ensure our high standards are maintained. I would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a restful break. I look forward to welcoming your children in the new year.

Meena Gabbi - Principal

### ERA days



Year 11 students engaging in a drama workshop

We have had our first two ERA (**Excellence, Resilience and Aspiration**) days of the year and we are thrilled at how well the students are engaging with them.

Year 11 had a brilliant day before half term where students were given a range of opportunities to develop physical, mental and emotional resilience in preparation for their first set of mock examinations.

This was followed by Year 7 on November 16<sup>th</sup>. Their ERA day was based around e-safety, computer literacy and building positive relationships as a year group. There was also the opportunity for students to try out new experiences such as yoga which many students had never done before.

Here are a few comments received following the Year 7 day:

***"I liked mindfulness and yoga best because it was relaxing and calm". "Today was fun". "I plan to try mindfulness in the future when I get stressed to calm myself down". "I now plan to cut down the amount of time I spend online". "I really enjoyed today". "Oracy engaged me and mindfulness made me feel calm". "Oracy made me feel better about talking to a group". "Football was great". "I learnt how to stay safe online". "We should do this more often".***

It is so good to have the chance to see our students in a different context as they develop a different range of skills for the challenges they face in our world. We can't wait for the next ones for Years 8, 9 and 10.



Year 7 students enjoying a Yoga session

Emma Lopes - SMSC Coordinator

## Montsaye sparkles at the Christmas Tree Festival



Well done to Mrs Reynolds and the H8 Lunch Club for creating beautiful ERA colour Christmas decorations for our school entry into this year's Rothwell Christmas Tree Festival.

Each individual designed, cut and crafted decorations from yellow, red or orange card and then finished off with glitter and metallic shapes.

The teamwork involved students in an energetic production line of cutting and sticking to make sure that the Montsaye Academy "Happy New ERA" tree would be complete and ready for Gala Night.

With thanks to Mrs Reynolds and the Year 11 Preparation for Working Life Class, the tree was decorated and sparkled invitingly under the lights of

Holy Trinity Church, alongside all the other entries from our local community.

It was great to be involved, and the atmosphere at Holy Trinity as the trees were being decorated, and on Gala Night itself, was great fun. We can't wait to take part again next year.



Lorraine Pelican - SEN Teacher

## A-Level Photography students get the picture

Our Year 12 and 13 photography students recently attended a workshop at Northampton University. They were taught by a university lecturer and were given the opportunity to use industry standard lighting, studios and cameras, including an amazing £25,000 Mamiya camera. As you can see, the final outcomes were incredible.



Michelle Thomas - Head of Art

## Art and Photography Trip to London

We recently took some of our Year 11 art and photography students on a trip to London.

Our first stop was the Tate Modern, a former bankside power station, where students experienced a wonderful array of art set over several floors. Students took in the sights and viewed many famous and priceless artworks from the past to present.

Our next stop was the Shard, a 95-storey skyscraper with 11,000 panes of glass and 1,016ft high. A few of us were feeling a little nervous at the thought of going to the top of the building but very excited too. We took in the views of the London skyline as we walked alongside the River Thames and soon we reached the Shard. Looking up, the building towered over us but was quite stunning and the 360 degree view from the top was amazing. Students started clicking their cameras, keen to capture the panoramic views and try to spot the famous London Landmarks.

Our final stop was Borough Market, one of the largest and oldest markets in London. Here students had some free time to grab some lunch and take in the colours, tastes and smells of this buzzing place. The variety of street food was incredible.

Everyone had a fantastic day and the memories, experience and photographs taken will provide valuable evidence for the students' GCSE coursework.

**Michelle Corr - Teacher of Art**

## Year 8 celebrate Black History Month

In history this term, we have been learning about the British Empire and slavery. For homework, Year 8 independently researched black history as part of the Black History Month for October. Pupils were given a set of questions to research, record and present to the highest standard they could.

Year 8 pupils showed excellence through their commitment and hard work, and the end product was amazing to see.

The quality of the work was truly aspirational and one student remarked that the only homework they enjoy doing, is the history project as they can be creative, and they have to be resilient as it is really challenging, but fun!



**James Wiggins - Head of History**



## Year 7 boys take the lead

An amazing performance for the Year 7 boys' football team in their first ever tournament which was held recently at Kettering Buccleuch Academy against the local Kettering secondary schools.

It is the first time our Year 7 team has won a tournament in over five years. One of our older students was in charge of the team and was an amazing role model for the younger students. The boys achieved three wins, one draw and one loss. Congratulations go to Luke who was nominated as Montsaye's Player of the Tournament.

**Tim Wing - Joint Head of PE**

## Science Club: Paper Re-Cycling

There is lots of discussion in the media about recycling materials. Members of Montsaye's science club decided to discover how to recycle paper with some very creative designs for the finished product.

Using several buckets full of waste paper, which had been shredded and soaked in water to enlarge and split open the fibres, pupils in Year 7 and Year 8 prepared a porridge-like gruel. One member commented that it looked better than his mother's porridge in the morning. Just to ruin that image, the team decided to divide the gruel into several pots and dye each one a different colour.

In a process like panning for gold, wire meshes sieved the paper fibres into a clear flat area bordered by a wooden frame. In the style of pancake tossing, the flattened pulp was inverted and dried, but not before some club members had added their own creative flair. Some students chose to make their paper particularly distinctive by combining colours or adding a little fairy dust (not really – just glitter). Then onto the drying and trimming process.



The best examples may yet appear in the resource room but I suspect that most will go home. One enterprising club member asked if he could scale-up the operation to sell the paper. Clearly a future entrepreneur.

Science club is open to all Year 7 and Year 8 pupils and meets every Tuesday from 3.00pm to 4.00pm in S4.

**Richard Poole - Teacher of Science**



## Drama students put on a show...

On 14<sup>th</sup> November our drama students performed in the first of many of our planned showcases. The evening took place in the drama studio and it gave our students an opportunity to perform to an audience. We opened with Holly and Tegan performing two extracts from Blood Brothers. The KS3 drama club then performed a short extract of the Robbed Reindeer which is due to be performed in full at our Winter Showcase which takes place on the 18<sup>th</sup> December.

The evening finished with a dress rehearsal of Twelfth Night which was then performed at Corby Cube in the Shakespeare Schools Festival on Wednesday 21st November. All the students were brilliant and we look forward to many more of these occasions.

**Tim Shea - Head of Drama**

## Year 13 history students get into a debate...



The history class was split into two groups and they were both asked the same question: “Was the opposition to the Poor Law Amendment Act of 1834 a serious threat or a futile protest?” One group had to argue that it was a serious threat, whilst the other had to argue it was a futile protest.

Once the students had done their research, the debate started; each group had to persuade the prime minister that their side of the argument was the right one. Both groups needed to support their argument with precise evidence and clear analysis, they also were required to communicate during the debate in a professional and formal manner, which was very challenging.

As part of UK Parliament Week (12th to 19th November), our Year 13 history group have been studying the Poor Law Amendment Act of 1834, which was an act of parliament which attempted to change the poverty relief system in England and Wales. Prior to 1834, the relief of poverty was left in the hands of individual parishes. The act was designed to reduce the cost of looking after the poor, as it stopped money going to poor people except in exceptional circumstances.

Both groups had different strengths and whilst the debate was slow to get going, once it had started it was difficult to stop. The closing arguments were crucial for the outcome of the debate, which saw a decisive and politically correct draw.

**James Wiggins - Head of History**

## Restart a Heart Day

Over 230 Students from Year 8 and Year 9 have taken part in the national Restart a Heart campaign, learning how to help an unresponsive casualty, how to call for help and perform basic CPR. We had representatives from the NHS ambulance service, a firefighter and a volunteer from the British Heart Foundation join us on the day. Students were taught basic CPR skills covering:

- Calling for help.
- Checking for signs of life.
- Performing mouth to mouth.
- Performing chest compressions.



Students said that they enjoyed the experience and they felt that they would now be more confident and able to help in a real life situation due to the training.

**Sara Mangan - Pastoral Mentor**

## Year 8 go on an adventure in France...

The week before we broke up for October half term, eighty-six Year 8 students and eight members of staff travelled to Chateau du Broutel in France for the much-anticipated, annual residential trip. The Chateau is a beautiful 18th century stately home, set in stunning grounds. Since 2001, the Chateau has been owned by the UK outdoor company, Manor Adventure, and offers a comprehensive range of activities.

Students were able to enjoy water-based activities on the lake including canoeing, kayaking and raft-building, as well as land-based sessions in climbing, abseiling, fencing and archery. They spent time on the beach and went on a steam train around the bay. Students were given a guided walk into the local town where they were able to practise their French and buy snacks and drinks at a local café and cakes from a local boulangerie (bakery).

*My favourite part about the France trip was the different activities we got to do while we were there. They were interesting and fun and not like anything I had done before. My favourites were archery, tracking and camouflaging, going to the beach and fencing because I hadn't done it before.*

*I enjoyed having freshly cooked pastries every morning for breakfast. When we ate them, they were still warm. I liked going into Rue and finding out about the history and culture. We walked around the town and saw its monuments. At the beach, we played catch and cricket and took photographs with our friends. Then we had lunch and went on the steam train.*

**Erin H - Year 8**

*Our school trip started with a 9 hour bus journey. Unfortunately, as if that wasn't long enough, we had an extra 3 hours window shopping at the Folkestone terminal as one train had got stuck in the tunnel! It wasn't all bad though, the Chateau was worth the wait... we had great fun away from the parents.*

*Activities included raft-building and canoeing in freezing water; not forgetting the 'who can catch the dead fish' competition - thanks Mr Instructor! I did a spectacular 180 degree spin on the canoe edge. Archery proceeded without any fatal injuries which was good.*

*The trip around the local market was not as busy as I thought it would be; I was surprised at how similar it is to our shops and markets at home!*

**Theo - Year 8**

A snapshot of the things Year 8 did...



The weather was perfect and the trip was a fantastic opportunity for the students to work together in teams. They took to the challenges presented well, and all the sessions ended with smiling faces. For many of the students, it was their first time away from home, giving them a taste of independence.

The behaviour of the students was exemplary; we were very proud of them all.

**Jon Berridge - Trip Leader and Assistant Vice Principal**

Remembrance Sunday - CCF in Rothwell



As part of the nationwide ceremonies marking the centenary of Armistice Day, Montsaye Academy CCF took part in two services in Rothwell on Remembrance Sunday. Cadets lined up in the Market Square, poppies neatly displayed on their chests, then marched down as a unit to take part in the Holy Trinity church service – hymns were sung with gusto, and those selected for readings of poetry delivered them with confidence and solemnity.

Following the service, the CCF took their place alongside the other uniformed organisations, many of them too, with Montsaye pupils filling their ranks, and marched down to the memorial for the ceremonial laying of wreaths. Standing neatly in formation for several hours took considerable patience, resilience and maturity, and all cadets involved are to be applauded for representing the academy proudly as an integral part of the community. The Montsaye wreath was laid with an accompanying poem written by a CCF staff member:

*'As poppies fall from heaven in the street,  
Each upward gaze reflects an inner strength,  
And for the full two minutes' silent length,  
The peace of man holds bloodshed in defeat.'*



Sergeant Instructor Giles Urwin

Montsaye students get involved in a community police event...

During a recent event, we welcomed a police community team to Montsaye Academy. Students from Year 7 to Year 10 were educated on topics including emergency situations, drug abuse, anti-social behaviour, violent and hate crime. The event was extremely popular and all of the students (and



staff) were actively engaged in the talks, with many participating and being good representatives of the academy. Our students showed great maturity in dealing with the



difficult topics that were covered, as well as showing great fondness for the dogs that accompanied the police team.

Young people as a whole have to face a much wider range of issues compared to those in the past; the day was clearly of great value to all of our students.

Jack Brothers - Year 8 Progress Leader

## If Music be the food of love, play on...

This November saw the Montsaye Academy Shakespeare Company performing "Twelfth Night" at Corby Cube, entering the national Shakespeare for Schools Festival for the fourth year in a row.

Following many after school and lunch time practices and a gruelling day of technical rehearsals, a cast of 24 performers and technicians prepared a show of shipwrecked twins, love triangles and drunken uncles that delighted their audience. The festival organisers were particularly impressed with "the way each cast member really addressed and shared their story with the audience. It was clear to see that they had really thought about their characters and made bold and exciting character choices. Brilliant!"

The Shakespeare Club meets on a Wednesday after school from 3.00pm until 4.00pm and is open to all year groups. It was established to offer students an opportunity to perform and learn technical stage craft whilst developing their confidence and teamwork skills. Being part of the company does not mean you have to participate in every performance, but it does offer the support and friendship of students who enjoy making theatre.

If you have children at Montsaye who are struggling with confidence, the Shakespeare Company is a good place to go. We love to see the younger (and older) students grow with us and we really hope that we can become part of a young person's journey to success,

whether that be in performing or in self-confidence; we would love to help.



Emily in Year 11 said "Earlier this year I auditioned to become part of the world famous national youth theatre. I would not have even dreamed of signing up for an audition there, let alone attending it, if I hadn't been part of the Montsaye Academy Shakespeare Company. I have also performed at Corby Cube twice with the company which is an example of an opportunity I would not get anywhere else. I would never have been able to say I had done something so amazing, if it wasn't for this incredible group of people and staff members".

Shakespeare Club will begin again on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

**Lorraine Pelican - Shakespeare Club Coordinator**

## SEN at Montsaye Academy

**W**ow; I cannot believe how lucky I am to be able to head up this department at Montsaye. I have the absolute honour and privilege of working with some awesome students who, despite their difficulties, strive to do their best.

We are so proud of our Year 7 SEN students who have transitioned so well to secondary school. I have thoroughly enjoyed getting to know them and making sure the provision they get is what they need. They are a real credit to themselves and to their carers and families. The ERA day was fantastic and there was a great buzz about the place – students who normally struggle with changes or have difficulties with some of the activities, immersed themselves in the day and thoroughly enjoyed it.

Our Year 8s have taken to being role models for the younger students and have welcomed new SEN students

into the school, making them feel included in the break and lunch clubs we run for them. What a bunch of superstars. Year 9s and 10s are buckling down and have shown an increase in maturity and independence this year.

I am particularly proud of the resilience of our Year 11 SEN students who have been working so very hard this year so far. They have really shown a mature attitude towards their studies and the expectations placed upon them in this vital year of their education.

My team and I are so very proud of the SEN students here, and would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.



**Becky Gatiss - SENCO**

Some of our Year 8 students recently had the opportunity to visit Northampton International Academy to learn debating skills with several other schools around Northamptonshire.

The day was challenging and exciting, and allowed the students to prepare for the upcoming debating competition for all the schools in December. Students learnt about the formality of debating and preparing proposition and opposition speeches. The atmosphere was tense, the rebuttals came flying, but the Montsaye students held their own, using persuasive arguments backed up with evidence. All in all a great day with some clearly talented students.



## Noisy Classrooms Project

Lilith Bateman - Teacher of English

### Uniform Bank

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**Attention all parents; do you have uniform your child has outgrown, but is still in good shape?**

We would like disadvantaged children to have the same pride and dignity as their peers, this is why Montsaye Academy supports these students, by providing them with some of their school uniform.

Unfortunately our stocks are now becoming very low; if you have any unwanted uniform that is in a clean and wearable condition, especially grey blazers and ties, could you please hand them in at the front reception desk so that we may continue to support these students.

Jane Hilton - Attendance Officer

## Students take to the stage...

We would like to congratulate Josh and Elizabeth, two of our Year 13 students for their outstanding performances onstage at the Dergate in Northampton last month. On Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> November, NMPAT (Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust) held 'Youth in Concert 2018', featuring performances by the County Youth Concert Band, County Youth Choir, County Youth Brass Band, County Youth Big Band and County Youth Orchestra.

Elizabeth plays the violin in the County Youth Orchestra and Josh the euphonium in the County Youth Concert Band. The concert involved students from schools across the county and the standard was incredibly high. Many of the musicians taking part are grade 8 level performers and some will even go on to audition for a professional national orchestra as they leave school.



I felt privileged to watch these amazing young people play with such professionalism, and look forward to supporting some of our younger musicians in this way over the coming years.



Natalie Gardner - Head of Music



## Children In Need Fun



Montsaye staff and students celebrated Children in Need by running a doughnut sale and activities in the LRC during the lunch break. The 'guess how many sweets in the jar' competition was won by Bethany H. We are pleased to share that we raised £137.90 which is winging its way to the Children in Need appeal. Thank you to everyone who took part.

Emma Lopes - SMSC Coordinator



Doing some last minute Christmas shopping? Or saving to hit the shops hard in the January sales? Did you know at the same time you could also be fundraising for Montsaye Academy? We have set up a page on Easy Fundraising and to-date we have received nearly £900 in donations, without costing the consumer an extra penny.

Here's how it works:

*easyfundraising turns your everyday online shopping into free donations for your favourite cause. How? Just start your online shopping first at easyfundraising, then shop as normal. Our retailers will then make a small donation to say "thank you".*

To help support Montsaye Academy, just go to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk), search for Montsaye Academy, click 'support this cause' and then shop away. It's very simple and should only take a couple of minutes to set up. There are 3200+ retailers to shop with including Amazon, Argos, eBay, M&S and Sainsbury's and they will all make a donation to our cause when you shop with them online.

Emma Exley - Operational Business Manager

**Engineers get the message ... your country needs you:**



Year 11 engineering students were recently treated to a specialist talk all about engineering and automation, from ex-Montsaye student, Alan Conn of B&R Industrial Automation.

Alan described his path from the engineering workshop here at Montsaye, all the way to a top job in the second largest Industrial automation company in the world.

Students listened intently as Alan described the routes and requirements of graduate entry apprenticeship for B&R, and the work of the much larger global company, ABB, that is its parent company. Students were engrossed with the technology of engineering used in FIA Formula E racing, and avidly asked many questions about track days, support and courses they should follow to pursue engineering in its many sectors beyond school. As a result of the discussion, the students have already begun to think about motorsport college courses for telematics, electrical engineering apprenticeships and RAF mechanical and flight systems engineering.

Alan described how the country has an annual shortfall of 60,000 engineering jobs and provided the impetus for many students to consider this as a viable future with associated work-based or university study. The augmented talk allowed many of the students to ask a variety of questions, that widened their horizons with all the possibilities engineering really holds, for specialisation, travel, future technologies and global impact, not forgetting a pretty decent salary.



The design department was happy to host this event and looks forward to other opportunities in the near future. Perhaps you know Alan from your school days at Montsaye; perhaps too, you have skills and insight that students may benefit from?

**PERFECTION IN AUTOMATION**  
A MEMBER OF THE ABB GROUP



**Andrew Partridge - Teacher of Design**



**Montsaye Cadets complete their SCIC course**

Over the October half-term holiday, three dedicated senior cadets spent the week at Beckingham Camp in Lincolnshire to complete the Senior Cadet Instructors Course (SCIC). From Friday to Friday, they lived, learned and taught on the base as part of a cadre of 15 to 17 year old cadets, who were selected from units around the country to enhance their leadership skills.

Demonstration lessons, refreshers and revision sessions followed – the Montsaye trio all gained experience in teaching elements of drill, map and compass skills, with further demonstrations in skill at arms to whet the appetite for future learning opportunities. There was also ample time to forge new friendships, one cadet in particular having ‘Happy Birthday’ sung to them a total of 37 times across the week!

Cadet Corporal Hollis felt that the course had helped her be ‘more confident with teaching’ and had shown her how to ‘be a cadet leader’, as well as giving her valuable transferable skills. “I think it’s taught us how to lead in any situation, not just in cadets – even explaining something, I now know how to get the information across clearly.”

**Sergeant Instructor Giles Urwin**

## Year 9 Option Information

Our Year 9 students will begin their options journey from January, taking time during tutor sessions to explore their future careers and opportunities after school.



This will culminate with their ERA day on 1<sup>st</sup> March and with their options evening which takes place on Wednesday 6th March 2019.

If you or your child have any questions, please contact their form tutor in the first instance.

Hannah Pickering - Year 9 Progress Leader



The Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award has been launched to all Year 9 students and the Silver Award launched to Year 12 and Year 13 students.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is a youth programme which recognises young adults for completing a series of self-improvement exercises. It is a fantastic opportunity for students to showcase their independence and the awards are nationally and internationally recognised, favoured by employers and universities alike.

If you would like more information please visit [www.dofe.org](http://www.dofe.org) or come and speak with me.

Denise Devlin - Teacher of PE

## Tackling Period Poverty

Did you know that 1 in 10 girls in the UK has been unable to afford period products and that 49% of girls have missed an entire day of school because of their period, making up a lie or excuse? At Montsaye, we want to help end period poverty and tackle the stigma and shame connected to periods.

Two red boxes will be placed in the academy, one in student reception and one in the PE changing room office. We are asking for donations of period products and will keep them in the red boxes for anyone in need.

This means that if anyone's period arrives unexpectedly, or they are unable to buy products, there is no need for this to stop them from learning.

Students may help themselves to whatever they need, whenever they need it. For more information or to make a donation, please feel free to contact us.

Denise Devlin - Teacher of PE

## Year 11 Prom ... Save The Date...



We are pleased to announce that we have managed to secure the stunning Highgate House in Creton, for our Year 11 Prom.

This much anticipated event will take place on Thursday 27th June from 6.00pm until 10.30pm, with a theme of 'Starry Night'. Further details will follow in due course.

Emma Exley - Year 11 Prom Committee

## Montsaye Remembers...

A poignant ceremony was held on Friday 9th November, to commemorate the 100 years since the end of WW1. Student representatives from every year group were present, as well as the head girl and boy. The presence, too, of several of our cadets in uniform added extra poignancy to the occasion and made us reflect on the immense loss experienced during the two World Wars.

by the entire school and we were privileged to have the last post played by Josh, one of our sixth form students.



We are lucky enough to have in our possession, a document listing all those from Rothwell who lost their lives in the first world war and were able to display this information in the LRC, along with books and other memorabilia.

On Sunday 11th November, dozens of Montsaye students attended services around the local area in their capacity as cadets, guides and scouts or simply members of their communities. We are proud to have been a part of this important moment in our nation's collective history.

**Emma Lopes - SMSC Coordinator**



We found out from readings, talks and poems, about the global and local impact of the war and were pleased to be joined by the Reverend Ruth Colby from Holy Trinity Church in Rothwell, who led prayers for peace and reconciliation. A two minute silence was observed

## Cadets Attend Memorial Tour

To commemorate the centenary of WWI, two cadets, Erica and Ryan, were selected to represent Montsaye Academy CCF on the Battlefield Tours programme for 2018.

After an overnight stay in Ashford, we crossed the channel and spent each day visiting memorials, battlefields and museums with a daily 'focus question' to promote reflection on their trips to Ypres, Passchendaele and the Somme.

Both cadets agreed that the highlight of the trip was taking part in the ceremony of the Last Post at the Menin Gate. Dressed in full cadet uniform, they assisted with the laying of a wreath at sunset. Erica remembered "the sense of awe at being part of something that you'd normally only see on television" and Ryan spoke of his "sense of pride at representing the cadets in uniform at such a meaningful occasion".

**Sergeant Instructor  
Giles Urwin**



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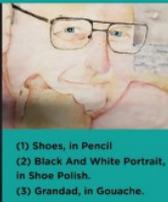
## Janet Bassett Gallery

**The Students Meet Masters Exhibition**  
7th December 2018 — Early February 2019.

In our next exhibit we are excited to welcome both art students and experienced artists as we showcase their works alongside each other.

We are welcoming the talents of 2016 to 2018 A-level art students from Montsaye Academy — featuring paintings, photography, textiles and 3D exhibits.





(1) Shoes, in Pencil  
(2) Black And White Portrait, in Shoe Polish.  
(3) Grandad, in Gouache.



You will also be able to discover the works of talented professional artist **Brenda McKetty** — who's work we feature here.

As well as returning artists **Pat Bustin** and **Stella Benford** with artworks and pottery.

Brenda Mcketty:  
(1) Clubbing Country Style, in Acrylic  
(2) Saturday Afternoon, in Acrylic  
(3) The Apple Pickers, in Acrylic

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### Year 11 students to join Sixth Form Leadership Team

Following very successful applications and subsequent interviews, Harry and Cameron have now been appointed as student leaders and will join the Sixth Form Student Leadership Team.

Their roles, which begin in January, will involve them working closely with our Head Boy, Head Girl and our deputies to support Montsaye with whole school and community events.

Cameron and Harry will provide an essential link to help our Year 11 students transition to our sixth form.

**Kerrie Jones - Head of Sixth Form**

### Sixth Form Enrichment Morning

We had a lovely end to the term when 10 of our former sixth form students came back to Montsaye to talk to our Year 12 and Year 13 students about their next steps since leaving us. Former students included those who are currently at university, those who have just graduated and those who have been in careers now for a while:

- George Sullivan - currently studying History and the History of Art at Nottingham University.
- Eleanor Jones - currently studying Architecture at Manchester University .
- Robyn Whalley - graduate of Nottingham University, English with Creative Writing
- Georgia Hallett - graduate of the University of Staffordshire, Photojournalism.
- Amy Hope - currently at Nottingham Trent University studying Computer Systems.
- Ben Brooks - currently at the University of Hull studying Physics with Astrophysics.
- Hannah Coe - a Certification Assessor at SATRA Technology.
- Ashley Marshall - currently at Leeds University studying Aeronautic and Aerospace Engineering. Now completing his Masters.
- Edward Butler - Police Officer.
- Ashleigh Bird - graduate of Anglia Ruskin University in Nursing. Now a Neo Natal Nurse.



It was a pleasure to see so many of our former students and to hear their stories. If you or your child attended our sixth form and would be interested in taking part in a future event, please contact myself or Mrs McNish at the academy.

**Kerrie Jones - Head of Sixth Form**

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