

## Return to the Forbidden Planet

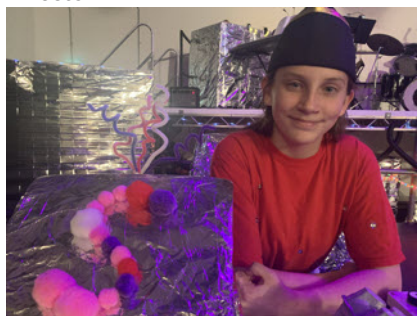


Above (from left to right): Lia Feane, Analise Newman, Cory Brook, Millie Burchnall, Keira Embleton

Return to the Forbidden Planet was a huge success at UAH. Pupils involved performed exceptionally well and pulled off a show-stopping production. The pupils really did do themselves proud and everyone in the audience thoroughly enjoyed it too!

*"Once again, I have had a wonderful time, working with the pupils on the school production. This year, we decided to do something completely different: fun, weird and silly and Return to the Forbidden Planet certainly met that brief. Never afraid of a challenge, the idea of creating a spaceship in the school was not daunting and Mrs Payne and I once again got to indulge our love of rope lighting! Explaining to people what the show is like, I used to say "It's a Rock and Roll musical, based on The Tempest, set in space". There were challenges, there always are, with faux-Shakespearean language to learn: "Two beeps or not two beeps" and a very busy musical score with lots of harmonies. However, the pupils did the whole school proud and gave three phenomenal performances. Taking part in a production at school provides many opportunities for pupils and develops so many skills. But I think the most important thing is that these pupils had great fun and will have memories that will stay with them for the rest of their lives. Here's to the next one..." - Miss Graper, Musical Director*

*"Directing the annual school musical is a pleasure every year but this year's Rock 'n' Roll space spectacular was so much fun. As an English teacher, I'm passionate about Shakespeare's language and I wanted the audience to understand the comedy in the script itself. Without a doubt, our wonderful cast conveyed the comedy through hilarious characterisation and body language. An incredible talent; they had to learn and deliver very difficult Shakespearean vocabulary. The spaceship set was created from scratch with donations from staff and outside companies and it certainly conveyed the 'B-Movie' portrayal of the show. The whole musical was lively, fun, exciting and engaging for adults and children and we are thrilled by the positive reviews we have had. All our thanks to everyone involved; front of house, on the stage and backstage. Here's to next year's..." - Mrs Payne, Director*



## Year 10 Multi Agency Day

On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November all of Year 10 took part in a 'Multi-Agency Day' supported by Lincolnshire Stay Safe Partnership. During the day there were 5 different workshops, including:

- Anti-Social Behaviour by Lincolnshire Police
- Road Safety by Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership
- Internet Safety by Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Partnership
- Drug/Alcohol Awareness by Young AddAction
- Healthy Relationships by Lincolnshire County Council

Each session lasted an hour and the presenters were really knowledgeable and interesting – even the teachers enjoyed the sessions and learned some new things! Pupils appreciated that the presenters were very open and honest, and some of the statistics were surprising. Pupils overall described the activities as 'awesome' and found that they learned a lot.

Some pupil comments:

*"It was enjoyable and knowledgeable at the same time"*

*"Online safety with Dan was very helpful and he delivered the information in a fun way"*

*"It was interesting, educational and fun"*

*"It was awesome!"*

We are sure that our pupils really learnt some useful information from the day and that it will help them to make better informed decisions in the future. Huge thanks to all of the presenters – Dan, Neil, Eleanor, Kathryn, Alison, Kay, Naomi, Rebecca, Zoe and Tim. We look forward to welcoming the Stay Safe Team back for our next MAD for **Year 7 on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020**.

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## Darren wins The CIPHE Apprentice of the Year Award

Darren Hoole is one of our Level 3 Plumbing Apprentices and he has won the Chartered Institute of Plumbing and Heating (CIPHE) Apprentice of the Year Award.

At UAH, we are a registered centre with CIPHE. The Chartered Institute of Plumbing and Heating Engineering is the professional body for the United Kingdom of the plumbing and heating industry. Its membership comprises approximately 8,000 individuals, including consultants, designers, public health engineers, lecturers, trainers, trainees and practitioners.

As well as winning a trophy, Darren received a year's membership to CIPHE and a selection of plumbing goodies!

*"Darren has overcome many barriers and has come along tremendously since starting his apprenticeship. Darren is excelling in his chosen career path and is completing his apprenticeship with Kier"* - Miss Mawer, Head of Plumbing



## Spotlight on... Sixth Form

Hi, I am Miss English!

As many of you are aware, our former Sixth Form Student Manager (Mrs Goodacre) retired at the end of last term. Mrs Goodacre was our Sixth Form Student Manager for 12 years, and worked in the Sixth Form from the very beginning! Her hard work and experience within the Sixth Form, has helped contribute to make our Sixth Form thrive successfully! We were sad to see Mrs Goodacre go, and she is greatly missed by everyone! Mrs Goodacre has been enjoying her retirement and started it with a holiday to Turkey, and currently she is on her second holiday in Thailand in the sunshine how we all wish we were there too, right?. Since she has left, I have taken over as our Sixth Form Student Manager, and thought this would be a good opportunity to give a quick introduction about myself and say hello!



I am an Anglia Ruskin Early Childhood Studies graduate and a Master of Arts (MA) Education: Learning, Pedagogy and Assessment graduate from the University of East Anglia. From my studies I have developed a specialism for understanding and supporting young people's mental health in education, and also the benefits of educational training for staff. Around my studies, I have also volunteered in primary schools in both Lincolnshire and Norfolk.

In my spare time I enjoy doing anything that's creative, which extends from card making to home-made DIY projects. I also love making cakes and cooking too!

Before joining UAH in June 2019, I worked as an administration assistant in a secondary school in Cambridgeshire for one year to develop my administration skills. I thoroughly enjoyed working within a secondary school environment and enjoyed the administrative tasks my job entailed. However, I've always been interested in supporting students with the pastoral side of education and I was thrilled when the Sixth Form Student Manager's job came up!

I am honoured to be a part of UAH and I am so grateful to everyone for making me feel welcome to the Academy. I have very much enjoyed my first six months working within the Sixth Form, and look forward to spending many more years working with you all! If you have any questions at all about 6th form, then come and see me in the 6th form office.

## Students prepare Dance Performances

Year 7, 8 and 9 students have been working hard putting together dance performances in their PE lessons this term.

The Year 7 girls have been working towards dances from the Lion King whereas the Year 8s have been dancing to Grease. Year 9 girls have been putting their dance performance together to The Greatest Showman.

Members of staff came along to watch the performances and were all very impressed with how well the girls performed.

## LiBF Student Investor Challenge

10 Teams from UAH are participating against thousands of other young people in the LiBF Student Investor Challenge.

In round 1, each team has been given a virtual £200,000 to invest in companies on the FTSE stock market. Each team is made up of 4 students from Years 10, 12 & 13.

If they get through to round 2, they will have the opportunity to win the top prize of a trip to New York and £250.00 each!

The first week which the challenge was launched, UAH had a team in the top 10 out of over 4800 teams across the country - The UAH Queens (4 Year 12 students). This caused tremendous excitement amongst everyone involved in the challenge.

Good luck to all students involved!

## Creative Writing Club

The Creative Writing Club has been writing a short story and they asked if an extract could be published in the newsletter.

An extract from *The Misadventures of Karen*:

Karen is a goldfinch who is going on a quest to defeat the ogres in Ogre Land, but she runs into a mango-crazed flamingo, an Australian monkey, a depressed donkey, a Shakespearean cat and Queen Catricia of Birdland.

*"Karen had never anticipated where she would end up. A forest, filled with the juiciest, ripest, most golden mangos she'd ever laid eyes upon? She flew down to the glistening mango forest and, to her surprise, there was a mango-like flamingo, sitting, gorging himself with the delicious fruit.*

*"Hello," chirped Karen, swooping down towards the animal. "My name is Karen. May I please eat some of your succulent mangos?" "No! They are MY mangos!" He shouted at the top of his strangely high-pitched voice. Karen sat at the foot of Mt. Mango and decided to eat one anyway. As soon as she tapped one, she was whisked away, and almost drowned by the furious flamingo.*

*"Wait until Banjo hears of this!" He cried. "B-Banjo? He sounds tough!" Karen shouted with peculiar confidence, despite the fact she had just fought her way up from attempted murder.*

*"Silence, you incompetent, little macaroni!" screeched her vicious captor. "BANJO! TROUBLE IS A HAND!"*

Written by Miss Robb's Creative Writing Club:

**Rosie Roulstone, Paige Hasler-Stephens, Alex Moskalenko, Amy Robinson, Elizabeth Morris-Sampson**

## Careers at UAH

All year 11 students have now had their first careers interview with our independent careers advisor and should be starting to plan their post-16 careers pathway. It was lovely to see so many of them at the UAH 6<sup>th</sup> Form open evening. Applications have been flooding in and courses are filling up fast.

Year 13 enjoyed a very successful Careers Day in October with visiting speakers from a wide range of employers. Students learnt about how assessment centres are used for recruitment and had the opportunity to practise the types of tasks used there, from psychometric testing to Dragon's Den style presentations! There was also the opportunity to learn about interview skills culminating in very successful mock interviews for students.

If you would like to visit UAH and talk to students about your work place or careers in a particular sector please email the Careers Leader at [lynda.oddie@uah.org.uk](mailto:lynda.oddie@uah.org.uk)

## Unifrog Launch

In keeping with our commitment to provide students with outstanding careers guidance and tailored support when choosing their next step after school, we will now be using Unifrog; an award-winning, online careers platform. All students at University Academy Holbeach will have access to this website and students in Years 11, 12 and 13 have now been sent their welcome emails. Parents of Year 11 and Sixth Formers can access the site using the form code **'parentsholbeach'**. (Lower year groups will receive codes at a later date.)

The website [www.unifrog.org](http://www.unifrog.org) helps to guide students through the next step in their journey by offering advice on subject choices, future careers, preparing for interviews, how to complete applications, writing CV's and personal statements. Alongside careers advice Unifrog offers support for students experiencing personal challenges through its well-being section. Unifrog has so much to offer. I hope you enjoy exploring it.



## Halloween Bake Sale for the Brain Tumour Charity

**Year 8 student, Lily Sandell put together a Halloween Bake Sale in aid of the Brain Tumour Charity with the help of Miss Kettlewell and Mrs McBarron.**

The bake sale also included a raffle for two large cakes which Lily made herself and a 'Guess the number of sweets in the jar' competition.

Lily raised a massive £236.55!

Well done Lily!

*"The reason I wanted to do the bake sale is because I love baking and who doesn't like cakes and other baked goods? It is also something which I do every year for the Brain Tumour Charity in my village. It is such a good way to raise money for charity" - Lily Sandell, Year 8*



## Year 7 Elections - Hastings Hustings

**During Year 7 History lessons, students have been studying the claimant crisis.**

Year 7 students have been looking at the claimant crisis which happened after the death of Edward the Confessor. The students were given two lessons to create an election campaign for one of the following claimants: Harola Hardrada, William of Normandy, Harold Godwinson and Edgar. Students then had to convince the class to vote for their claimant.

They made all sorts of props to assist in their campaigns which included lots of cakes and gold chocolate coins to bribe the rest of the class! Who knew democracy could be so tasty?

## Childcare does Children in Need

**Sixth Form Childcare students raised a fantastic £182.00 for Children in Need.**

Childcare students put on Children in Need fundraising events, including a Sweetie Stall and a visit of Pudsey around the school and to 3 local nurseries.

Pudsey visited Willows Day Nursery, Sunflower Lodge and Puddleducks to see the children. Pudsey then had a tour of UAH at lunchtime too!

The students contacted the nurseries prior to their visit to check for allergies, they put sweets in cups and ensured that the individual dietary requirements for each child were adhered to. At Sunflower Lodge, they served sweets for 50 children!

Well done to the Childcare students for their fundraising!



## A big Thank you to Spalding Signs

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the team at Spalding Signs for the donation of materials for our DT and Art departments.



## SIMS Parent App



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The new SIMS PARENT APP enables you to access real time information:

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- Update data held on you and your children
- Child's Timetable

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## Year 11 Saturday School

### Year 11 Saturday School dates for 2020

#### Saturday 11th January:

- Science

#### Saturday 18th January:

- PE
- Art
- Music
- Electrical
- Childcare
- Construction
- Motor Vehicle
- Computer Science
- Business Studies
- Health & Social Care
- Hair & Beauty

#### Saturday 25th January

- Religious Studies

#### Saturday 1st February

- Spanish (All Blue Band Only)
- History (All Red Band Only)
- Geography (All Red Band Only)

#### Saturday 8th February

- DT Graphics
- DT Resistant Materials
- DT Textiles
- DT Food
- DT Hospitality & Catering

#### Saturday 15th February

- ICT

## Get in Touch...

Do you have anything to add to our Newsletter? Do you know of a student who has helped the community?

Let us know via email: [newsletter@uah.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@uah.org.uk)

## Year 7 Futsal Competition

Schools from the South Lincolnshire School Sports Association joined together to compete in the Year 7 Futsal competition on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at the Tollfield campus of Haven High School. Two leagues were formed on the day – a Spalding League & a Boston League. The top 2 teams from each league would go through to a semi-final and then into a final. There were 5 teams in each league, 10 in total. UAH's first game was against Spalding Academy. After a slow start to the game we managed to score close to the end of the game to secure an opening victory of 1-0. Other teams in our leagues seemed to be beating each other so it was important to keep trying to win games. The second game was against The Deepings School who had a very good team and we managed a 1-1 draw. By now UAH were settling into the Futsal way and in our next game against Bourne Grammar school, we were dominant and proved our excellent abilities winning 3-0. It all came down to the last game against Bourne Academy where a win for either team would mean topping the group. A strong performance by UAH saw us secure a 1-0 win against a strong Bourne Academy side. This meant we topped the group with 10 points and would go on to play the runner-up from the Boston League, Haven High, in the semi-finals. Many chances were created and the Haven goalkeeper pulled off some good saves, however a goal scored by Theo Maxwell ensured a 1-0 victory for UAH.



**Above: UAH Y7 Futsal Team: Marshal Mujere, Oakley Williams, Theo Maxwell-Rutty, Kajus Varekojis, Jacob Twigge, Hayden Quantrill, Blake Greenacre**

In final we met our earlier group opposition, The Deepings School. With the earlier draw we knew this was going to be a tough game. UAH performed exceptionally well and scored early on. From this 1-0 lead UAH were strong in defence and caught Deeping on the break twice more to secure a 3-0 win and therefore becoming the Year 7 Futsal South Lincolnshire Champions 2019.

The boys went the whole day without losing a match, behaved exceptionally well and performed to outstanding levels. All the boys should be proud of their achievement.

## Return to the Forbidden Planet Photos



**Above (from left to right): Chloe Hibbert, Florence Southon, Sadie Benjamin, Noah Parr**

**Below (from left to right): Group Stage Photo, Coral Sullivan**

