

# Review

## Rugby Success

### County Cup Victory

Reepham High School and College retained the U16 Norfolk Rugby County Cup with a hard-fought victory over Aylsham High School under the floodlights at North Walsham RFC.

In a meeting between the county's two strongest state school sides, the game began at high tempo but was quickly halted in the second minute due to a serious injury to a Reepham player, requiring medical attention.

When the game resumed, Reepham settled the better of the two teams, gradually asserting control through composed, high-quality play. Their pressure paid off with Oli scoring the only try of a tightly contested first half, giving them a 5-0 lead at the break.

Aylsham responded brilliantly after halftime, starting fast and turning the game on its head with a well-worked try, which they successfully converted to take a 7-5 lead. Reepham found themselves under sustained pressure but showed resilience in defence to keep Aylsham at bay.

The turning point came when Chris intercepted a pass in his own half and raced clear to score under the posts, restoring his side's lead. With momentum back in their favour, Reepham opened up the game and soon added a third try, again through Oli, following a strong attacking spell, extending their lead to 17-7 with just over ten minutes remaining.

Aylsham refused to back down and, after building pressure, were awarded a penalty which they converted to close the gap and keep hopes alive. However, Reepham held firm in the closing stages, showing determination and discipline to see out the win and secure back-to-back county titles.

### U15 Norfolk County Plate Champions

Reepham High School and College produced a dominant performance to secure a convincing 59-17 victory over Diss High School in the U15 Norfolk County Plate Final. From the opening minutes, Reepham took control of the match, applying pressure through strong forward play and capitalising on opportunities with clinical finishing.

The backs were particularly impressive, breaking the line repeatedly with powerful, well-timed runs that kept Diss on the back foot throughout. Reepham's cohesion in attack and determination in defence ensured their lead continued to grow as the match progressed.

Diss battled bravely and managed to score three well-worked tries, but Reepham's tempo and accuracy proved too much over the course of the game.

This victory marks the second consecutive year that Reepham High School and College have lifted the Norfolk County Plate, a testament to the strength of rugby in our community.



Mr Easton, Head of PE

## Year 11 Photography

Our Year 11 Photography students are currently working on the ESA unit of their course, exploring and responding to themes from the ESA paper. These include Mechanical Forms, Layers, Fungi, Repetition, Moments of Calm, and Reflection.



Drawing inspiration from artist research as well as their own ideas and observations, students are developing creative and highly personal photographic work. Through experimentation, composition, and editing, each student is building a unique visual response to their chosen theme.

Enjoy this selection of their work so far as their projects continue to develop.



Ms Lee, Art teacher



## Pre-loved Uniform

We are delighted to confirm that we are working in collaboration with Scrapbox, a charity based in Reepham, who will be stocking pre-loved school uniform for us.

Scrapbox can be found at Unit 5 Colliers Way, Reepham, NR10 4SW.



## Medieval Maths

A lucky group of Year 7 students visited Norwich Castle to experience Norfolk Museums Service's new mathematics activity day, using maths to solve problems that kings and queens would have faced in the 12th century.

Pupils were able to explore the galleries and see the results of the National Lottery Heritage funding. Activities took place on the battlements and in the fully restored Norman keep which reopened in the summer last year. Much fun was had by students and staff.



Mrs Colebrook, Maths teacher

## College News

### Year 12 Next Steps Enrichment

As part of our Year 12 Next Steps Enrichment programme, we were delighted to host Clare, who is a volunteering engagement officer with Voluntary Norfolk.



Clare talked about the benefits of volunteering, whilst Aimee, a resourcing specialist and HR education advisor, talked about transferable skills and the employment application process.



We were also joined by alumni students Thomas and Arthur who talked about their gap year travels with lots of top tips and advice.

### Celebrating Effort: Easter Egg Awards

At our college, we are proud to recognise and celebrate the dedication and commitment shown by our students throughout the year. Each term, subject teachers and tutors carefully select students who have demonstrated outstanding effort in their studies and active participation in tutor events.

These awards are not just about academic success, but about perseverance, positive attitudes, and the contributions students make to the wider college community. Whether it's consistent hard work in lessons, supporting peers, or engaging fully in tutor activities, these students embody the values we strive to promote.

This term, in celebration of Easter, our usual awards took on a seasonal twist. Students were delighted to receive Easter eggs in recognition of their efforts and achievements. The smiles and sense of pride were clear to see, making the occasion a truly special one.



We are incredibly proud of all our students and look forward to continuing to celebrate the hard work and contributions of our students in the term ahead.

### Easter Egg Hunt

Congratulations to Mr Hadden's tutor group who won the College Annual Easter Egg Hunt – Crème Eggs for all!

### Deputy Cadet of the Year

I joined St John Ambulance cadets three years ago and became a corporal for my unit last year.



Lexi-Rayne, Year 12

I volunteer as a first aider at lots of different events including Cromer Carnival and gigs at the LCR. We are also invited to attend parades and celebrations such as memorial services and Trooping the Colour in London.

Being awarded Deputy County Cadet of the Year was a surprise but it was amazing to be recognised for my hard work.

## Careers Update

### Developing Experts

We were delighted to share an exciting opportunity with a bespoke group of our Year 10 students.

Developing Experts, an online curriculum and careers platform, have recently launched a brand-new Virtual Work Experience programme and RHSC were invited to take part in trialling this innovative initiative.

On the day, a team from Developing Experts worked with students as they experienced elements of the new programme, got to be part of a live filming event and provided feedback to camera. We are excited to be involved in shaping new careers opportunities for young people and look forward to seeing our students benefit from this experience and the Developing Experts platform in the future.

### Future Careers Expo

As part of our careers programme, Year 10 students attended the Future Careers Expo at the Norfolk Showground. The event brought together thousands of young people with businesses from across so many sectors.

The energy in the room was incredible. Conversations happening everywhere, students discovering opportunities they didn't know existed and employers proudly talking about what they do. Industries looking for the future workforce, showing young people what's out there, talking about what they do and inspiring the next generation.



### Work Experience



Careers education plays a crucial role in preparing young people for life beyond school. It helps them explore their options and understand how their learning in school connects to the wider world.

Work experience is a key part of this. Time spent in a real workplace allows students to develop important employability skills such as communication, teamwork, and problem-solving, while also inspiring future career ambitions.

All of our Year 10 students will take part in work experience from 13th to 17th July. While many placements have already been secured, we are still looking for around 30 opportunities. Can you help?

I would love to hear from any local businesses who can support our students by offering a placement. Your involvement can make a lasting difference and we would be very grateful for your support.



Please get in touch if you can help or if you have any questions: eedgill@reephamhigh.org.uk

Mrs Edgill, Careers Adviser