

MADELEY SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL'S POST: PARENT EDITION



• **Hockey**



On Thursday 9th May, our Hockey students took part in the U14 National State School Hockey Competition at Nottingham Hockey Centre. The team were brilliant throughout the tournament and finished unbeaten to claim the Second Tier winner's trophy. The team were Harry R, Alex D, Jess M, Niyah S, Harry W, Ben E, Noah D and Tom H. Goals on the day; Harry R 4, Kenny B 2, Alex D 1. It was a nail biting final eventually went to flicks (penalties) Harry R and Kerry B scored. Niyah having made 3 excellent saves during the game and went even better in the flicks saving 2 out of 2!! Such an amazing achievement for a school of our size with limited hockey resources.

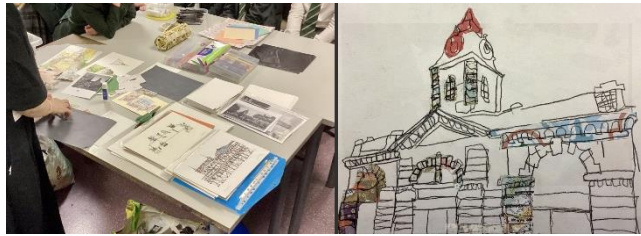
• **Bronze DofE Practice Expedition**

Last weekend, 39 of the Year 10 students went to the Peak District and worked hard on their Bronze DofE practice expedition. They all used their camping and map-reading skills to stay safe in the wild and successfully got themselves back to base. For some, it was very much outside their comfort zone especially carrying a heavy rucksack in the hot sunshine, so please do congratulate all participants. Alas, no sightings of the Northern Lights despite our high expectations!



• **Art**

Last week, we welcomed local artist Ruth Allen to the school. She worked with all of Year 8 through the day introducing them to her techniques and methods. She also talked to them about her many roles and responsibilities as a freelance artist. It was a fantastic day and Year 8 were exemplary. Look out for some more examples on: [instagram@artphotographymadeley](https://www.instagram.com/artphotographymadeley)



Miss Leath also took her Creative Ambassador's to The Potteries Museum and Gallery as part of a project to consult with the gallery on their education provision and spaces. This was a valuable insight and opportunity for the Creative Ambassadors to have their say on the provision from the gallery for young people.

• **Science**

Well done to all 25 students who have successfully completed their Bronze CREST Award. The students have spent over 12 hours researching and completing a science investigation of their choice. Some of which include designing a rollercoaster, creating an app to promote sustainability, lifting fingerprints and many more! Miss Johnson and the Science team look forward to presenting the certificates.

• **Walk to School Week**

All next week, is Walk to School Week. By walking to school, this will; help the environment, improve your health, save on fuel, gain Independence and make a difference.



• **Support Services**

Dove Service Workshop Thursday 16th May



This week we were joined by Louise Williams, from Dove Bereavement Services.

Louise's work is funded through the National Lottery and offers support for young people who are experiencing loss.

She introduced the service to the students and shared ways in which she hopes to support them, through drop-ins and workshops.

Community Police Drop Friday 10th May

The pupils had the opportunity to speak to local officers about crime prevention, staying safe of any local concerns they may have. Drop-in sessions take place once every half term.



School Nurse Sally-Anne Smith continues to join us twice monthly, to hold drop-ins and appointment sessions. Some discussions that take place relate to healthy eating, relationships, mental health, self-harm, smoking, alcohol, and drugs.

Emotional Coach

Emotional Coach, Tilly, joins us on a weekly basis. Tilly's emotion coaching work is aimed at helping children to become more aware of their emotions and to manage their own feelings, particularly during instances of misbehavior.



How do the students access the support?

Students are encouraged to approach Mrs Carter, Pastoral Support, their form tutor or Head of Year, for more information.

Important dates:

- School closes for May Half Term on Friday 24th May at 3.05pm
- School re-opens on Monday 3rd June at 8.35am

