

# MADELEY SCHOOL

## PRINCIPAL'S POST: PARENT EDITION



• **Year 9 Student visit the New Vic Theatre**



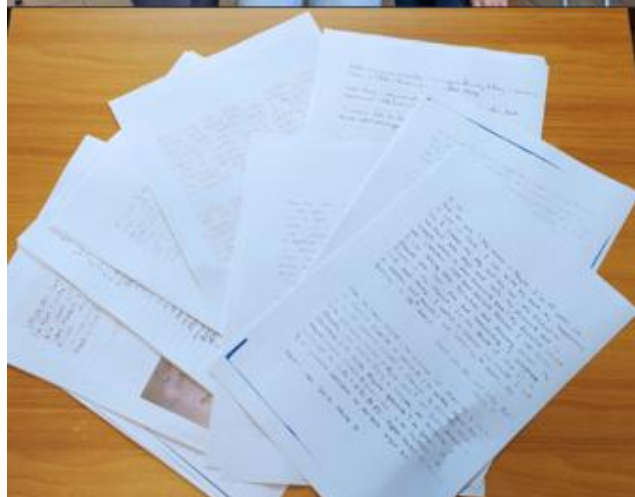
On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May, a group of Year 9 students were invited to the New Vic Theatre in Newcastle to watch 'Echoes of Justice' a piece of documentary theatre drawing on the testimony from the 1945 Belsen War crimes trials. The work explored how language, translation and memory shape our understanding of truth and justice. The students engaged in pre-show activities about the role of justice in our society and asked thoughtful questions during the post show Q and A session.

• **Year 11 GCSE Examinations**

Well done to all our Year 11 students who have now completed 2 weeks of their GCSE examinations and now have a well-deserved break. Please can students ensure that they have all the correct equipment for their papers, including a calculator, which will be required for certain exams such as some Maths papers and all Sciences.

• **Year 9's Pen Pals in Chile!**

39 of our Year 9 students now have pen pals in a small rural school in Chile, where Mrs O'Leary's daughter works as a Language Assistant. Mrs O'Leary was privileged to travel there over Easter and hand over letters from our Madeley students. It was very exciting to receive the replies to our introductory letters this week and start to learn something about the lives of these young people in this Spanish speaking country over 7,700 miles away. We hope to keep it going, practising their English and our Spanish and to also explore cultural similarities and differences.



• **U14 Hockey Tournament**



On Tuesday, the U14 Boys' and Girls' Hockey teams went to Nottingham Hockey Centre to take part in the Midlands State Hockey Tournament. The Boys' team secured 3<sup>rd</sup> place and the Girls' team 2<sup>nd</sup> place! Well done to all

players! A great experience with lots of learning; this was the last tournament of the season.

• **Year 7's Assembly**

This half term's assembly focused on the theme of confidence. Mrs Stokoe led a light-hearted end-of-half-term game for the Year 7s, which involved standing behind their form tutor while the tutor, with their eyes closed, tried to guess who it was. The activity was a positive relationship-building exercise and brought plenty of laughter and enjoyment for everyone. Well done to Year 7 and congratulations to Miss Leath on her win, an impressive 9 out of 10 students were guessed correctly! As a reward for their excellent participation, 7CL were treated to sweets and an early break time.



**Important dates:**

- School closes on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 3.05pm for May Half Term Holiday
- **School re-opens on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June**
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June & Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Year 7 & 8 Art Freedom Project
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June - Year 10 Textile Visit to Staffordshire University
- Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June & Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June - DofE Bronze & Silver Qualifying Expedition
- Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June - **DofE Silver Qualifying Expedition Only**

