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## The Newsletter of Jack Hunt School

A Specialist Language and Sports College

### CONGRATULATIONS!

#### Falklands Veteran and Charity Campaigner Awards Students at Presentation Evening 2013

On Thursday 19 December, Jack Hunt School were delighted to welcome inspirational speaker and author, Simon Weston OBE, to present awards and certificates at the annual Presentation



Evening celebrating student successes and achievements in the 2012-13 school year.

Twenty three years ago Simon Weston, a Welsh Guardsman suffered serious burn injuries (46%) when the Sir Galahad was destroyed in Bluff Cove during the Falklands War. His story is one of achievement, of triumph over adversity, of seizing the moment and succeeding as he redefined his role in life and has

been well publicised in five major BBC Television documentaries. Simon's road to physical, spiritual and mental recovery saw him involved in highly successful charity ventures including 'The Weston Spirit', a Liverpool based young people's charity, he is a tireless worker for the Royal British Legion and the Royal Star and Garter Home earning him an OBE in 1992 and listed as one of the top 100 Welsh Heroes in 2004.

Simon's message is one of single-minded determination, to not only accept what is, but to turn that to your advantage with his own career clearly demonstrating how a positive mental attitude can achieve great goals. He is an excellent example of this having been told at twenty two that he was unemployable because of his injuries. Simon has since gone on to establish charities, and run a number of businesses.

The evening celebrates and showcases the amazing achievements and talents of students past and present, both academically and vocationally, with awards and trophies being presented during the evening. As well as musical performances from the school choir and other students, certificates for GCE A Levels, GCSEs and Vocational Qualifications were also presented during the evening.

The presentations were interspersed with amazing musical performances from Jack Hunt students including the Senior Choir and Katy Moore with Elizabeth Parker. One of the highlights of the evening was the outstanding performance of Voodoo Child by drummer Chris De Freitas and guitarists Dominic Bowyer and particularly Charlotte Scott who has worked very hard at her guitar skills. Simon Weston commented "that Jimi Hendrix would have been very proud of their rendition." There was also a superb Les Miserables flash mob performance from cast members.

Pamela Kilbey, Headteacher said "We are very proud of the amazing achievements and talents of our students. Academically we are delighted with our examination results in 2013, in both attainment and progress measures and across GCSEs, AS and A2. We had the best performances the school has ever seen with results which were significantly above the national average. This reflects the dedication of staff, support of parents and hard work of our students for which I am very grateful. We were delighted to welcome Simon Weston OBE to the school. His speech was motivational and inspired our students to believe in themselves."

**See special insert for list of Award Winners**



Mrs Franklin

#### Diary Dates 2014

##### HALF TERM

**Monday 17 February -**

**Friday 21 February**

Cluster Holiday Club Activities - Everyday

##### TERM RESUMES

**Monday 24 February**

Back to School

**Wednesday 26 February 3-6pm**

Internet Safety Drop In Event

**Monday 3 March - Tuesday 11 March**

Year 10 Exams

**Wednesday 12 March**

Year 13 Parents Evening

**Friday 14 March**

Year 12 Reports Home

**Thursday 20 March**

Deep Learning Day

**Friday 21 March**

Year 7 and Year 9 Mini Reports Home

**Monday 24 March - Thursday 3 April**

Year 10 Work Experience

**Friday 28 March**

Year 11 Reports Homes

**Monday 31 March**

Year 11 Parents Afternoon

(School closes 1.25pm)

**Thursday 3 April - 3.05pm**

Last day of Term

**Friday 4 April**

Staff Development Day

##### EASTER HOLIDAY

**Friday 4 April - Monday 21 April**

##### SUMMER TERM STARTS

**Tuesday 22 April**

*For important dates throughout the Academic Year please check the school calendar on the website.*

## Headteacher's Column



We have been very pleased to welcome both Simon Weston OBE and Mike Greene to the school recently. We believe it is vital that our students meet a range of successful role models from all walks of life.

Simon Weston is obviously a very well-known figure and many of the guests at Presentation Evening shared with me how inspiring it was to hear from Simon himself the story of his comeback from such devastating injuries. It certainly resonated with the audience when we heard how he was told whilst in hospital that he was 'unemployable' and how he set out to disprove this. He ensured that his message was directed at the students present at Presentation Evening and they were

undoubtedly both inspired by him and in awe of his determination and resilience. Mike Greene was equally motivational for our Year 11s and they were particularly impressed that he came from our area of Peterborough and was thus a 'local boy made good'.

The Hamper Competition continues to bring out amazing creativity and great generosity amongst the students. We always receive letters of thanks from Shelter for the Homeless, Axiom and Age UK and this year it was clear from the letters what a difference our students do make to many people's Christmas; especially since there is often a letter to the unknown beneficiary from the Tutor Group wishing them well and assuring them that young people do care about others.

You will have seen from the section on the Extended Schools Cluster that Maureen Stringer, our Extended Schools Cluster Manager is retiring this month. Maureen has been based at Jack Hunt for the last five years as she has worked for the eight primary Headteachers in the Cluster as well as myself. Her brief was to develop the work of the after school and holiday provision to best meet the needs of all nine schools and she has done this in an exemplary way. Her leadership has meant that our Cluster is held up as an example of best practice in Peterborough and beyond. Our thanks to Maureen for all that she has done for the families in the cluster and our very best wishes for a happy retirement.

*Pamela Kilbey*

### Students Pay a visit to Parliament



Last term a group of Jack Hunt deaf students were invited to visit Parliament by the Parliament Education Service. This was a fantastic opportunity for them to develop their understanding of democracy and Parliament. The two education guides were very professional and ensured access to the information was available to everyone. The tour included a visit to the public gallery in the House of Commons which helped cement an awareness of the processes and procedures which take place during parliamentary debates. The group were impressed with the access provided by the live subtitling, as subtitling is an accessibility option often absent in many aspects of a deaf individual's life.

The voting and elections workshop was an amazing opportunity for the young people to experience a mock-up of the election process, especially as research shows young people aged 18-24 are less likely to vote compared to their adult peers meaning the people elected in reality may not be representative of the whole population. Throughout the workshop the students learnt why it is so important to take part in the election process. Peterborough's MP, Stewart Jackson, also popped in

to speak with the students and listen to questions, including some about the impact in Government of the deaf young people's campaigns against cuts to deaf education. Mr Jackson explained how their views to make a difference can be expressed via an email to their MP, organised letter writing or even joining a political party etc. The students are looking forward to meeting him again if he does visit JHS in 2014 as promised.

*Miss Quail*

### Local 'Secret Millionaire' Inspires and Motivates Year 11



On the first day back at school Year 11 students were invited to listen to and meet local 'Secret Millionaire' Mike Greene. He was invited to talk to students following the recent mock exams to help motivate and inspire them on the long road ahead studying for the GCSEs they will take in the summer term.

Brought up in Bretton, Mike Greene became a successful businessman but lost it all, only to start again becoming even more successful. His dedication to helping others was recognised in 2011 when he was asked to be one of Channel 4's Secret Millionaires. This was a turning point for Mike leading him to make a life changing decision - to spend more time with his family, and dedicate more time to charity work. Mike now supports over 100 charities locally and thousands nationally, working primarily with localgiving.com and CCF (Cambridge Community Foundation).

As well as being a successful businessman, Mike also dedicates his time to sharing his extensive knowledge and experience as a regular conference speaker and acting as a mentor to several leading companies and individuals. Mike spoke to the students about his life, the important role the newspaper shop owner played as his mentor and his success and failures in business, including how having had the taste of success with the help of his mentor he believed he could achieve it again through hard work and by learning from his mistakes.

Mike was very well received by the students who found him "Really inspiring and easy to relate to especially because he is from the same area as us." Other comments included "I learnt that tiny decisions can make a big change." He told students that it only takes one person to believe in you - even if it is a teacher - and that they should believe them and use that belief to help them believe in themselves.

Mrs Simpson-Holley, Deputy Headteacher who arranged Mike Greene's visit said "We were delighted that the students had this fantastic opportunity to listen to Mike, his talk was really inspirational and we hope it motivates our students on the long road ahead to the GCSE exams. We would like to thank him for his time and the kind donation of copies of his book for our library which students have already requested.



## Students Build Chicken Wire Sculptures



After his success running a half term holiday workshop in October for Jack Hunt Cluster students, artist William Ashley-Norman was back running a workshop for Year 11 students.

Using chicken wire the students spent 5-6 hours cutting and sculpting animal and bird shapes under the guidance of Mr Ashley Norman and Mr Raine (Head of Art). All the students enjoyed the challenge of creating the shapes from a flat piece of wire. Not only does he run workshops William Ashley Norman also sells some of his pieces for over £1,000.

*Mrs Reed*

## Primary School Sports Festivals

Over the last four weeks over 120 children from Years 1 and 2 (KS1) in



Cluster Primary schools have been visiting Jack Hunt School to take part in Friday Festivals. The multi-sport activities are organised and run by Year 12 and 13 Sports Leaders, with the help of PE staff. Working with the primary school children



helps the Sixth Form students to develop their leadership skills. The multi-sport activities help children with fitness and the development of motorskills, as well as being a lot of fun.

*Mr Smith*

## Year 10 Student Commemorates Katharine of Aragon in Spanish



Thomas Miller (Yr 10) joined local dignitaries, schoolchildren and members of the clergy in the annual Commemoration Service at Peterborough Cathedral where Katharine of Aragon is laid to rest. As part of the service Thomas read a passage from the Bible (Romans 8.31-39) in Spanish to the congregation.

Mr Mandin who joined Thomas in the procession from Peterborough Museum to the Cathedral, said "I was very proud of Thomas, he did an excellent job." The Canon of Peterborough also commented on how impressed he was that a Year 10 student should speak so well in Spanish getting the correct pronunciation and tone.

*Mr Mandin*



## Christmas Hamper Competition 2013



Once again the last few weeks of term saw students working hard on their annual Christmas Hamper. Over 80 Tutor Groups produced amazing hampers from traditional Christmas icons such as reindeers and elves to The Grinch and the Minions from Despicable Me and The Grinch.

Congratulations to the two winning Tutor Groups KTSH for design (a giant Minion) and CSMN for content (a decorated piano). Over 200 Year 7 students were also given the opportunity vote for their favourite and EGN's The Grinch was the clear winner.



The hampers were distributed, with the help of the winning Tutor Groups, to Peterborough Street's Shelter for the Homeless, Axiom and addresses in Peterborough provided by Age UK. The school would like to thank Arrowpak International for helping with the deliveries.

The students have made us extremely proud again this year for the level of enthusiasm, empathy and generosity they have shown when producing their hampers.



## Inspirational ICT Trip

A group of Year 12 and 13 students recently visited international ICT company NetSupport in Market Deeping. For the last 22 years NetSupport has been at the forefront of developing innovative solutions to aid in the management of desktop computers and their users. NetSupport products are available in over 90 countries worldwide and currently support over 10 million desktops, servers and mobile devices.



As one of Jack Hunt's Trust Partners, NetSupport is very supportive of the school and our students. Andy Hall, one of the Product Developers gave the visiting students an excellent presentation, talking about the business, career paths and opportunities both in ICT and at NetSupport. This was followed by a tour of the complex. The visit was amazing and the students found the trip interesting and rewarding.

*Mr Kent*

## The Future of News is Here!



For more information like this try:

[www.jackhunt.net](http://www.jackhunt.net) – where you can find lots of useful information and up to date News about Events that have been taking place as well as our School Events Calendar.



The **E4Education School News App** - if you have an **iPhone** or **iPad**, you can receive Jack Hunt School News & Events straight to your apple device.



Why not follow us on **Twitter** - @jackhuntschool



The **KITE Learning Platform** contains lots of useful information about your own child including, Attendance, Behaviour & Achievement Information, Targets and other useful resources. Contact our main office requesting a "School Communication" form to arrange access.

## Deaf Students Teach Student Teachers

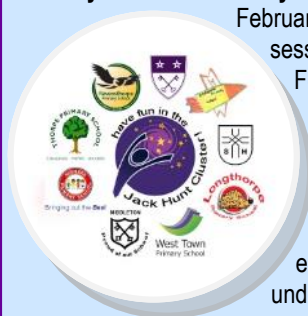
A group of deaf students were responsible for designing and running a student led workshop for Cambridge PGCE students at Cambridge University. The Deaf Awareness workshop was part of an Adolescents Focus Day for student teachers, many of whom said it was the "Best of Session of the Day".

The students, Fatima Bilal (Yr9), Zaimah Shah (Yr9), Khubaib Mahmood (Yr7), Chloe Peacock (Yr8), Nicoleta (Yr 9) and Marcela Herakova (Yr 9), Aitana Bothamley-Nicholas (Yr7), Hussnayn Hussain (Yr8) and Golofnira Zadran (Yr8) also received a tour of the Faculty of Education and a short tour of the University which they all enjoyed.

*Miss Quail*

## EXTENDED SCHOOLS CLUSTER

### February Half Term Holiday Clubs



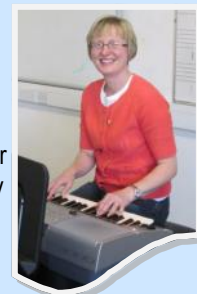
February Half Term is coming up and we are busy taking bookings for our sessions. The Holiday Club runs from Monday 18 February – Friday 21 February with activities for all. This holiday we have firm favourites such as Multi-sports, Swimming and Cycling along with some new offerings including Indoor Rowing and Drama Workshops. All Cluster primary school children are given a copy of our flyer detailing the whole programme. The flyer is also available for Jack Hunt students in the school library and from the Extended Schools office, near the Sports Hall. The flyer and enrolment form is also available from the website at [Jackhuntcluster.co.uk](http://Jackhuntcluster.co.uk), under Holiday clubs or contact Jo on Ext 129.



### Jack Hunt School of Music – Make 2014 A Creative Year For You



Is your child looking for a new hobby, or always wanted to learn an instrument? The Jack Hunt School of Music offers expert tuition in Guitar and Yamaha Keyboards and currently has spaces in beginners' lessons for both instruments. Interested? Contact us to book a free taster session so they can try first. Places are also available on our Guitar beginners class, and this term we have launched a new Keyboards class on Wednesday afternoon 4.30 – 5.30 which also has places available. The lessons are at Jack Hunt School and all equipment is provided, the cost is £10 for an hour a week, payable half termly in advance. We are also currently registering interest in adult lessons, so if interested in either please contact Hannah Oliviero on Ext 170.



### Adult Ballet Classes

These classes are suitable for all levels of ability, so whether you've never danced before or are returning to dance we can cater for you at the Jack Hunt Theatre and Dance Academy. Classes are held every Wednesday evening during term time 7.45pm – 8.30pm at £6 a session. Why not come along for a free taster.

We also have spaces available at the **Cluster Boxing Club**, in both adult and children sessions, on Wednesday and Friday evenings. For all Music and Dance classes please contact Hannah Oliviero on Ext 170 to find out more or visit our website at [Jackhuntcluster.co.uk](http://Jackhuntcluster.co.uk). We are currently planning our next 10-14 Strengthening Family programme and our new 14-19 ESCAPE programme, both designed to support teenagers and parents. Please contact us to find out more on 01733 263526 Ext 129.



On a final note I would like to say a big thank you and farewell to all the students and families in the Jack Hunt Cluster and community. I am retiring at the end of February and will remain proud of the developments and achievements we have made together. I am delighted that many will continue and wish all those involved the very best for the future. It has been fun meeting and working with you all over the last five years.

Ms Stringer  
Extended Schools Cluster Manager

### PETERBOROUGH SCHOOLS CROSS-COUNTRY



Approximately 100 students from Jack Hunt went to Ferry Meadows to compete in the Peterborough schools cross-country. Despite the cold weather there were some fantastic performances from a number of students. Eloise Piccaver (Yr 8) finished 6<sup>th</sup> in the Junior Girls race, Oliver Oakley (Yr 8) finished

6<sup>th</sup> in the Junior Boys race and Alice Dolan (Yr 12) achieved an impressive win in the Senior Girls race. The Year 10 girls team came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall.

Eloise, Oliver and Alice were all selected to represent Peterborough Schools at the County Cross-Country Championships which were held at Ely. They all performed fantastically in difficult conditions and finished 15<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> respectively. Eloise has also been selected to represent Cambridgeshire Schools at the Anglian Schools Cross-Country Championships. Well done to all the competitors.

Mrs McCormack

### Bilingual Students Impress at SSAT Conference



At Jack Hunt over 51% of our students have English as a Second language. Many of these students go on to be Advanced Bilingual learners and become Communication Leaders who are involved in advising and giving feedback to staff to ensure we listen and support our bilingual students. Recently a number of students have taken this further, preparing and delivering a workshop at the Specialist

Schools and Academies Trust's (SSAT) National Conference in Manchester. The workshop entitled '*Working with Bilingual Learners to raise literacy levels for Everyone*' was designed to show Senior Leaders from Schools and Academies across the country what it is like to be a bilingual student at Jack Hunt and the challenges it offers. The students Jurgis Vaivodis (Yr 11), Oldrich Capek (Yr 11), Mukosa Tengenasha (Yr 12) and Safwan Rija (Yr 8) also shared some of their experiences and spoke about how they support staff to improve their communication with multilingual students.

The session ended to rapturous applause and Chris Smith, Student Impact Co-ordinator at SSAT said "The students were quite simply outstanding, they did Jack Hunt School proud."

Mrs Simpson-Holley

# JACK HUNT SCHOOL AWARDS – 2012/2013

<b>Roy Duncan Award</b>	Student who has achieved the best A Level results	<b>Alexander King</b>
<b>Governors' Commendation Award – AS Level</b>	Student who have achieved the best AS Level results	<b>Marshall Wang</b>
<b>Barsby Trophy</b>	Student who has achieved the best GCSE results	<b>Priti Pankhania</b>
<b>Governors' Commendation Award - A Levels</b>	Commendation for excellent A Level results	<b>Marco Calitri Rachel King Ross Huskisson</b>
<b>Governors' Commendation Award - GCSEs</b>	Commendation for excellent GCSE results	<b>Rachel Jefferies-Harris</b>
<b>Ridgway Trophy</b>	Student who has made most progress	<b>Yumna Mohamed Aly</b>
<b>Mawhinney Cup</b>	Student who has excelled in public speaking	<b>Rukhsar Khalid</b>
<b>Lea Trophy</b>	Students who have done the most for the school community	<b>Kimberley Gould</b>
<b>Chris Hilliard Student Leadership Shield</b>	Student who has made the most significant contribution to the leadership of other students	<b>Matthew Newton</b>
<b>Dr Deboo Modern Foreign Languages Award</b>	Student showing outstanding achievement in a Foreign Language	<b>Kreshma Karimi</b>
<b>Dr Deboo Modern Foreign Languages Plate</b>	Student showing outstanding achievement in a Foreign Language at A Level	<b>Sobia Sameen</b>
<b>John Goose Shield</b>	A Level student reaching the highest level in Sociology	<b>Emma Taylor</b>
<b>Michael Taylor Award</b>	Student who has produced the best English essay	<b>Ross Huskisson</b>
<b>Dennis Barrett Shield</b>	Student who has excelled at creative writing	<b>Keeley-Ann Channing</b>
<b>History Shield</b>	Student reaching the highest level in History	<b>Akash Abraham</b>
<b>Richard Marks Mathematics Award</b>	Student showing most promise in Mathematics	<b>Zeb Ali Khan</b>
<b>Thomas Trophy</b>	Student with the highest achievement in Technology	<b>Darren Anker</b>
<b>Geography Shield</b>	A Level student reaching the highest level in Geography	<b>Toby Abbs</b>
<b>Gerada Cup</b>	Student with the highest level of personal achievement in Music	<b>Christopher de Freitas</b>
<b>Taylor Cup</b>	Student who has made a considerable contribution to Music	<b>Elizabeth Parker</b>
<b>Geddes Trophy</b>	Student who has made the most progress in Technology	<b>Lucy Harrison</b>
<b>Art Cup – Upper School</b>	Student who has made most progress in the Upper School	<b>Jorge Strowger</b>
<b>Art Cup – Lower School</b>	Student who has made most progress in the Lower School	<b>Raven Seymour</b>
<b>Kilsby Award</b>	Student with the greatest potential going into the teaching profession	<b>Natasha Phillips</b>
<b>Religious Education Shield</b>	Student who has reached the highest level in Religious Education	<b>Rachel King</b>
<b>Information Communication Technology Shield</b>	Student who has reached the highest level in Information Communication Technology	<b>Darren Anker</b>
<b>Headteacher's Award</b>	Most dedicated vocational students	<b>Sajjad Jaffer Aisha Saddiqa</b>
<b>Terry Shield</b>	Student following a vocational course and achieving the highest level in their overall education	<b>Aisha Saddiqa</b>
<b>Rotary Club of Peterborough Minster Award</b>	Student who has shown outstanding personal achievement in Business Studies	<b>Mary Dukes</b>
<b>Economics Award</b>	A Level student reaching the highest level in Economics	<b>Zain Ismail</b>
<b>Young Enterprise Best Achiever</b>	Special award presented to the school by Cllr Ridgway, formerly Chairman of Greater Peterborough Strategic Board Young Enterprise	<b>Daniel Powell</b>
<b>Mehta Trophy</b>	Student showing most promise in Science	<b>Kia Welch</b>
<b>Galileo Trophy</b>	Student who has excelled in scientific investigation for further research in Physics	<b>Rachel Jeffries-Harris</b>
<b>Sports Award</b>	Student showing outstanding academic achievement in GCSE PE or A Level Sport Studies	<b>Amar Zamir</b>
<b>Ross Parker Award</b>	Students who have made an outstanding contribution to school sport	<b>Matthew Newton</b>
<b>Barker Trophy</b>	Students who have shown outstanding personal achievement	<b>Matthew Purdy Golofnira Zadran</b>



# **JACK HUNT SCHOOL AWARDS – 2012/2013**

<b>Richard McPartlin Trophy</b>	Student who has reached the highest level in competitive sport and thus an outstanding contribution to school sport	<b><i>Lianne Jones Bethany Jones</i></b>
<b>Sarah-Jane Woolley Shield</b>	Student demonstrating an outstanding contribution to the Duke of Edinburgh Award	<b><i>Jacob Bryant Toby Abbs</i></b>
<b>Sue Titman Award</b>	Commendation in recognition of the dedication and leadership of the Head Prefect Team 2011/2012	<b><i>Toby Abbs Catherine Cook Tara Forkin Louis Hemming Jess Sharman Alexander King</i></b>

