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Faithful walkers enjoy pilgrimage



GOSPEL GROUPS: Crackley Hall pupils with Princethorpe College Sixth Form volunteers

CRACKLEY Hall School celebrated the end of the Catholic Church's Year of Faith by joining forces with sister school Princethorpe College and embarking on a mini pilgrimage. Led by sixth form volunteers, Year 3 and 4 pupils were split into four groups, each named after the four Gospels.

The Walk of Faith encompassed local Kenilworth beauty spot The Greenway, giving everyone the chance to experience nature's gifts while considering human impact on the environment. There are already plans to repeat the venture next summer with pupils in Years 5 and 6.

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Splash converters!



TEACHERS at Princethorpe College got a soaking from pupils as part of a fundraising drive.

Year 6's chosen charity this year is Molly Oily's Wishes, a Warwickshire based volunteer organisation which aims to raise funds to help families whose children have terminal illnesses.

Pupils have devised a series of cash raising initiatives to support the organisation, including a penalty shoot-out, a cake sale and a raffle. But their latest idea to soak the teachers proved the fastest way yet to generate cash.

Enduring freezing temperatures Princethorpe teachers Mr Bowen, Miss Black, Miss Miller and Head of Year Mrs White were placed in the stocks only to have soaking sprayers launched at their faces - all in the name of Molly Oily's Wishes.

The college orchard rang with cheers and hoos as the sponge water hit or missed. Cash was pouring in with wetter pupils hoping to strike gold.

Not satisfied with the amount raised Mrs White spontaneously set a further challenge. "Raise a tenner and you can throw a bucket of water all over me!"

Never has a whip round been so successful and within seconds Mrs White was dripping from head to toe. Cheers erupted before the bell went and smiling pupils headed back to lessons.

The event is expected to have raised more than £100 for Molly Oily's Wishes.

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Strong finish for Princethorpe in Cross Country Cup



FIVE Warwickshire schools congregated for the first round of the English Schools' Cross Country Cup.

Hosted by Princethorpe College, visiting schools Aylesford, Myins, Kenilworth and Alcester Grammar entered Junior and Intermediate Boys and Girls in four races. The two top teams in each event were selected to the second with those with the lowest aggregate scores going through.

In the Junior Girls Year 6's Coventry Godiva athlete Mollie Dill led the Princethorpe team in a cracking second place, swiftly followed by Year 7's Amelia Collett (BIB), Kate Palmer (Smith Millie Higgins (thirteenth) and Emily Ireland (eighth).

The Junior Boys out ranked the girls' positions with a fabulous first and second place from Lloyd Ellis who ran fabulously in third. Coming in with a strong finish was Princethorpe's own Conor. Yano Noda (fourth) followed by Dan (fifteenth), Ian (sixteenth) and Adam Smith (seventeenth).

Head of Princethorpe College, girls' games, Debra Brookes said: "We are just waiting to have confirmation that all our teams have made it through to the second round. Cross country is growing in strength and depth at the college. Our new weekly lunchtime training runs are clearly paying off."

"This was a fabulous afternoon's running."

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A den for wild lessons!



CRACKLEY Hall pupils and staff joined guests, parents and trustees to formally open an outdoor learning space built by volunteers.

The Abbotsford Den is an environmentally friendly, weather proof construction designed and made by Crackley Hall parent Paul Underhill.

Using ring marked funds from the former Abbotsford School's PTA along with generous donations of materials from local builders' merchants Travis Perkins, the dream of an outdoor classroom became a reality in a matter of weeks.

The shaded retreat provides a boost to the learning opportunities for all children in the school in subjects such as science, geography, art and English.

The official opening of the 'Den' saw Crackley Hall Head Boy Connor Parris and Head Girl Grace McGary cut the ribbon with prayers and readings being delivered by other members of the school community.

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Romans find new recruits at Princethorpe



YEAR 7 students at Princethorpe College enjoyed learning about life as a Roman soldier.

Visiting Roman soldiers Caius and Gaius Flavius Longinus (aka Lance Prince and Gary Redwell) arrived as contubernia armed with shields, javelins and daggers.

Their passion for the Roman period was contagious with pupils having the chance to get kitted out in full armour as well as handling replica artefacts. Grown of horror rooms as tales were told about the gore and the guts that so often featured in the daily life of a Roman centurion.

Pupils were reluctant to leave when their time was up and a recognisable buzz rippled across the year group as such class eagerly anticipated their spot with the experts.

Gary and Lance were both on hand to answer further questions in the selectory during lunch. Happily seated in their full armour they caused quite a stir as pupils tucked into their meals!

ENTHRALLED: Roman soldiers Caius and Gaius Flavius Longinus (aka Lance Prince and Gary Redwell) enjoy a captivated audience; right, pupil Callum wearing armour

