

Kaleidoscope from Kirkstone House School



Because the picture is constantly changing...

Issue 4.

Dear Parents and Pupils,

I hope that you enjoy this newsletter which has been created by our Director of Marketing, Ellie Pybus. You will, I am sure remember 'Kaleidoscope', our 'lockdown' newsletter and it is great, yet again to see pictures of our pupils in action. The Summer Term was particularly memorable in that we were once more able to be together and even hold Sports Day and the Fete. It was lovely to see so many of you present. Those Summer days seemed to me to be a harbinger of better times: the sun was shining; pupils were having fun and our sense of community was tangible.

Sadly, the venue for our Prom was unable to accommodate us because of Covid restrictions but Mr Wyman kindly agreed that we could hold the event in School. The red carpet was down; 'mocktails' poured and our Year 11 pupils paraded out in all their glamour to rapturous applause from the whole school. It was a fantastic event as you will see from the photographs. This Year 11 deserve every praise as despite lockdowns and isolation, they gained brilliant results and all have gained places on chosen courses. Well done to them all.

For me, the Prom marked an end to my time at KHS too. After 12 years of Headship I have handed over this very precious role to Mr Stuart Judge who has already got this term off to a flying start. I know that he will have all your support as indeed I have done and that the School / Home partnership will continue to flourish.

In Lower School, Mrs Caroline Fallowfield retired after many years of exceptional service but we are delighted that Mrs Jane Ramsay has formally taken over this role.

Thank you all once again for all of your kind words, gifts and letters I received at the end of term. I am now enjoying my role as an Advisor / Teacher one day a week at School and I look forward to seeing you at future events.

Corinne Jones



As the newly appointed Headteacher of Kirkstone House School, I am extremely privileged and proud to lead such a wonderful and unique school. I would like to thank all the staff, students and the many parents I have already met for making my start at Kirkstone House School so enjoyable, I am really looking forward to the year ahead.

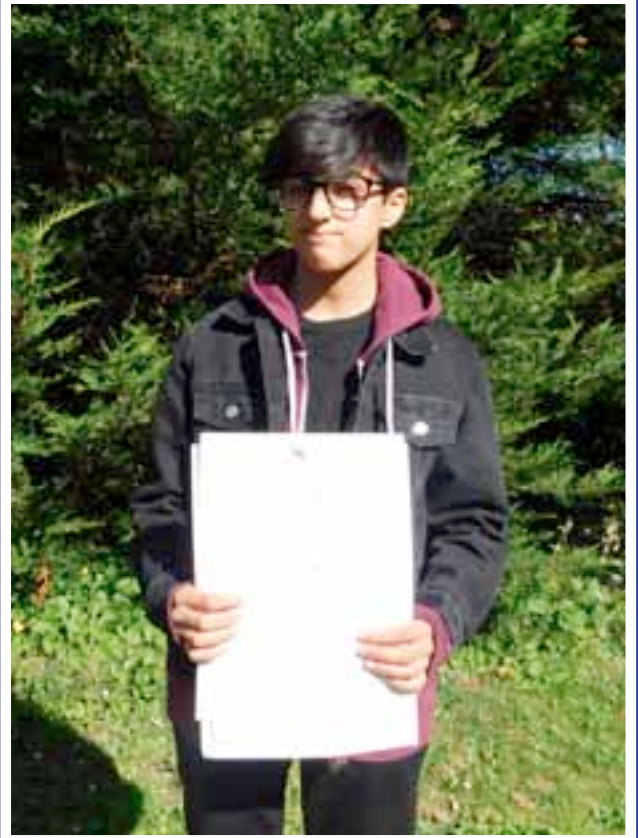
I hope that the various school events over the coming weeks and months will provide an opportunity to create a strong and successful partnership and for me to share my views on education as well as my vision for the school.

In the meantime, please do get in touch if you would like to discuss any aspect of school life.

Stuart Judge

Results Day....

Well done to all our Year 11's who have worked so hard during incredibly challenging times



Knitting Corner

Everyone needs a hug! A message from Mrs Payne

When I was 3 years old, my Mum presented me with 'Clowney', he was knitted by her and he became my constant companion. He was, at the time taller than me! As I grew older, my Mum spent many hours knitting my favourite outfit – a jumper and skirt set. She made me a lot of sets in many different colours. I would watch her knit and became fascinated with the rhythmic clicking and watching the yarn become an item, something real with different patterns and textures.

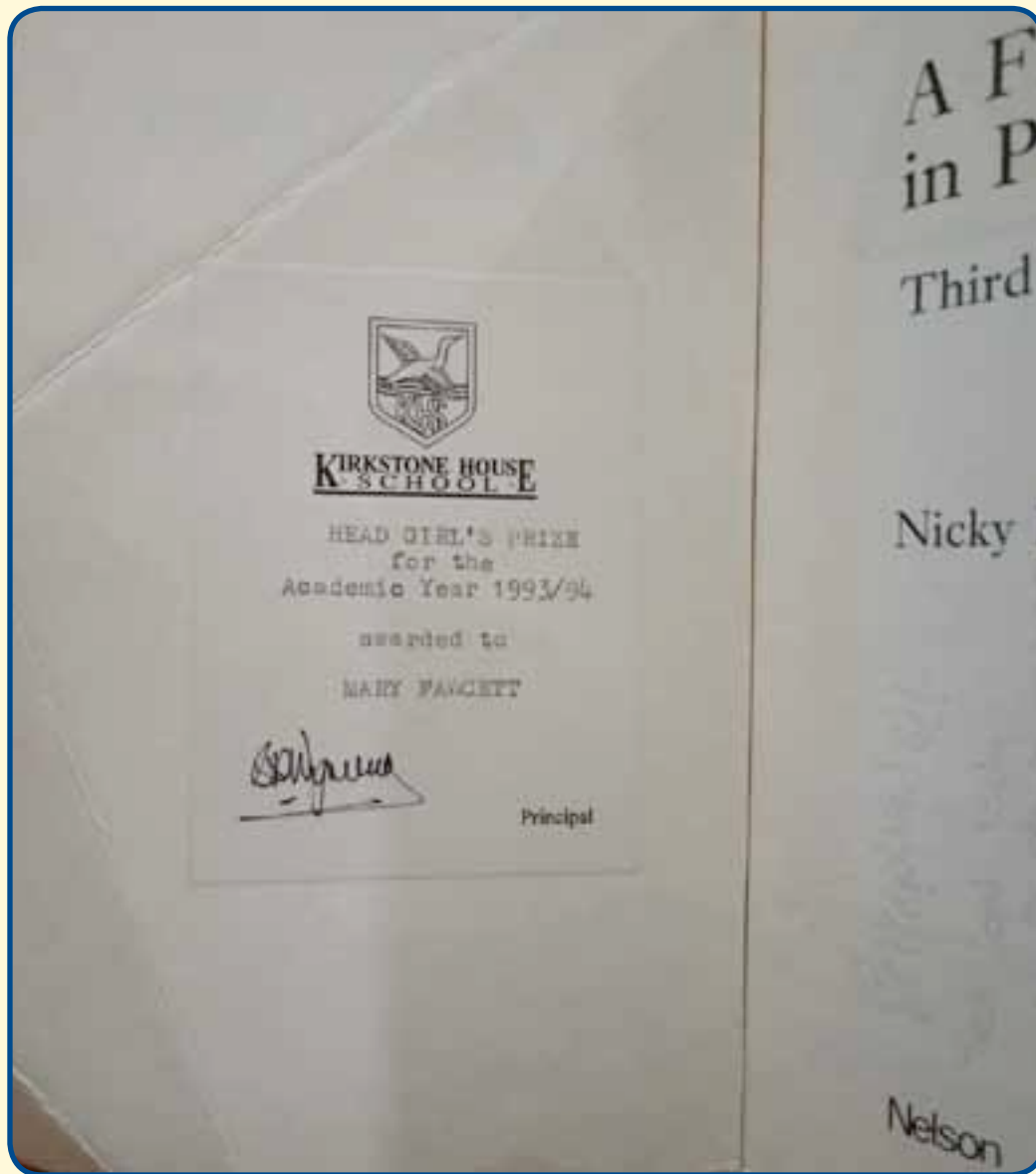
When I was 6, I asked her to show me how to knit. She was patient, kind, very methodical and diligent in her teaching. It was not long before I was knitting scarves for my dollies and little squares that Mum and I would sew together to make them into blankets too! Knitting became something that I have always done and have never stopped doing throughout my life!

I have missed having contact with others throughout the dreadful Covid lockdowns, I have missed being able to give my friend a hug. I dislike the constant reminders to remember 'Hands – Face – Space, no touch, and not being able to give gentle contact to offer reassurance, or offer a hug when a person is feeling sad/upset – always remember 'personal space'. I am, by my nature a tactile person, I like to hug! I got to thinking one evening, what if the children in lower school all had a teddy, they could 'have a hug'. My idea was as simple as that!

I am now excited to be knitting little bears, knowing that they will be given to the children in Kirkstone House.



Kirkstone goes global....



We had a message from a lady in the Philippines...

“Hello! I’m a Filipino psychology major living in the Philippines. When I planned to purchase a reference book, I chose to buy this.

As I opened the book cover, I saw a sticker that states your institution. I looked it up on the internet, as well as this person named Mary Fawcett from AY 1993-1994.

I just find it wholesome and fascinating that such book has gone a very long way from home!”

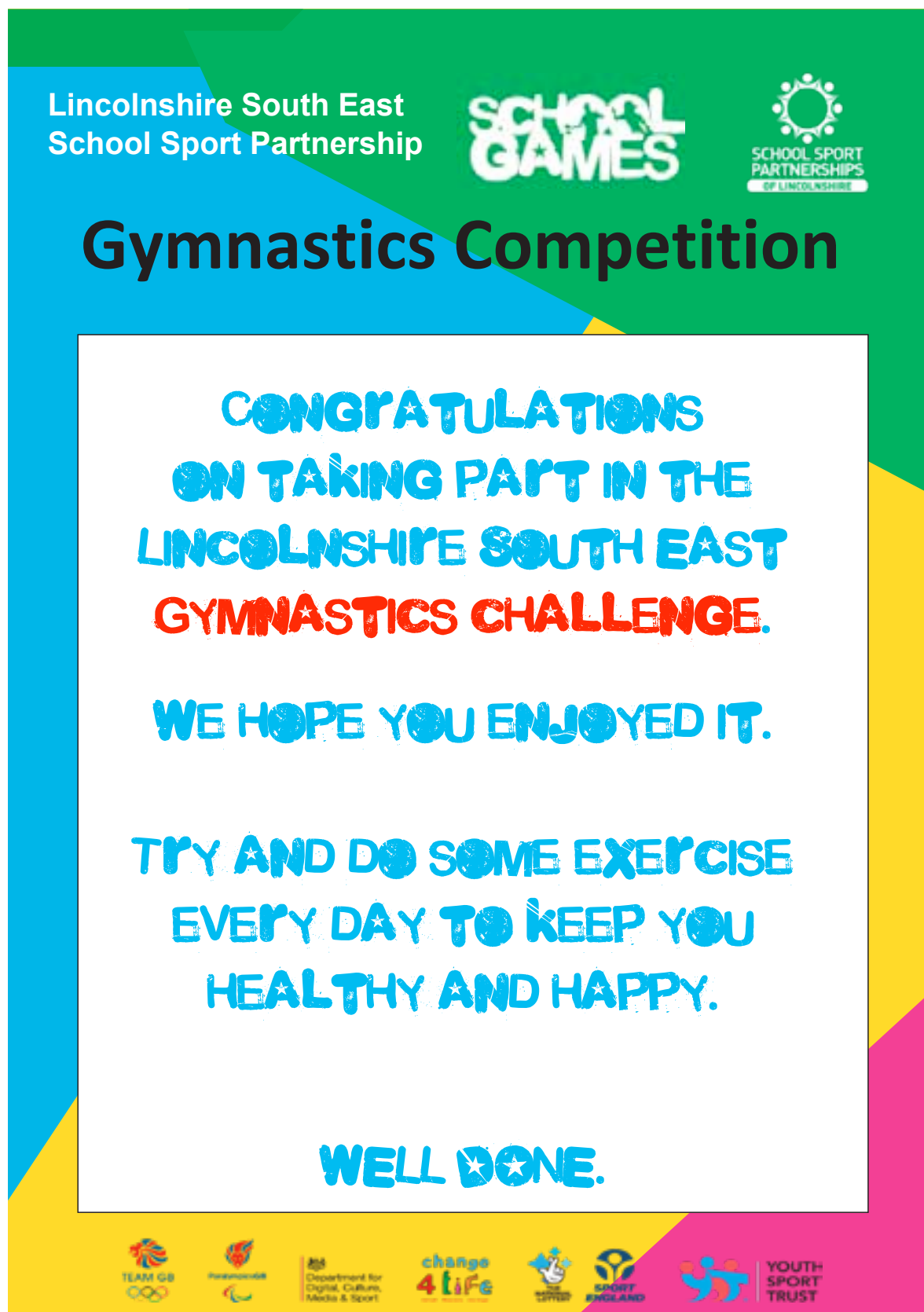


Here's a message from Evie who's been busy in the lockdowns...

Hello, my name is Evie and I donated lots of big and single bars of chocolate to all NHS staff working hard on the Covid wards and on intensive care at Peterborough City hospital. By doing this donation I asked my family and friends on social media to help me by donating chocolate or money. Once I had all the chocolate, I got some NHS labels printed and started writing the names of who donated. Then I wrapped the labels around the chocolate with elastic bands. By ordering some clear plastic bags, I ensured they were Covid secure. Finally, I tied some pretty ribbon onto the bags. They were then safely delivered to PCH and they sent me a letter back saying that they really appreciated them. We raised £500. The reason I decided to do this was because the NHS were under a lot of pressure due to the pandemic, and I thought it would be really nice to do something special.



We nominated Caitlin Emery for her Gymnastics for the Athlete of the Term Spring 2021.



This is a competition that is open to all Independent Schools across the country. The large number of candidates has been whittled down to the top 6...and what an amazing achievement, Caitlin made the top 6!

PGL Caythorpe

Teamwork
makes
the
dream
work!



Y11 Prom ...



Sports Day

Let the games begin.



Tallington

*Action packed day out for the
Year 9's Transition Day*



DofE

Time for the great outdoors...

