Improving Attainment in West Norfolk

Review of 2018

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Overall Aim of Programme

To ensure that all young people in West Norfolk receive a good quality education through excellent teaching and learning, and go on to achieve the best level of qualification they can.

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2018 Priorities

- Secure funding to continue work
- Continued focus on Maths, English and transition
- Increased focus on disadvantaged pupils
- Improve opportunities for job/career advice
- Build on success of West Norfolk University Challenge Conference18

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Secure Funding

- Bid submitted to Norfolk County Council for additional funding/to prolong the programme

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PiXL Funding

- Originally for Secondary Schools
- Extended to Primary Schools in 2016
- During 2018/19 year 17 Primary Schools have accessed funding

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Use of PiXL

“Pixl, subsidised through the local Council, has really helped our teachers to target their teaching and interventions. The wealth of resources to help identify and meet children’s needs are excellent. Collaborating with other PIXL schools and head teachers has been beneficial in identifying different approaches and sharing key resources.”

Matthew Tuckwood, Head Teacher, Whitefriars Church of England Primary Academy

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Use of PiXL

“The use of PiXL within our school has certainly improved the futures of our pupils. It has allowed us to stay up-to-date with the latest ideas and methods to help children make outstanding progress. PiXL has also helped to teaching practice within the school, which further benefits pupils.”

Glen Rossiter, Year 6 teacher and Assistant Principal, Nelson Academy

West Norfolk school congratulated for progress

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A local West Norfolk school has got the recognition they truly deserve.

Nelsons Academy received a letter on Monday morning (19th Febraury) from Nick Gibb MP, The Minister of State for School Standards.

He was congratulating the staff and pupils on the high level of progress they've made.

The school are now in the top 2% in England for progress made between key stage 1 and key stage 2.

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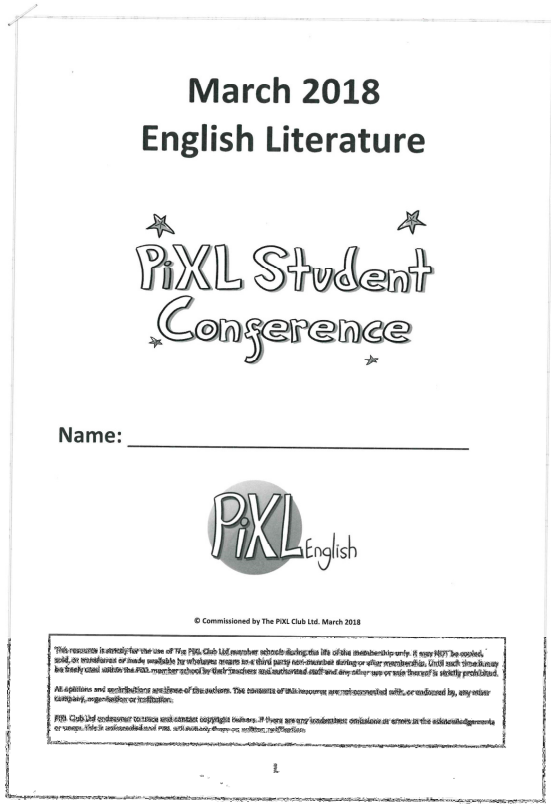
Booster Conferences


March 2018
English Literature

PiXL Student Conference

Name: _____

PiXL English

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Mock Exams & Data Analysis

- Assists with planning for booster conferences
- Helps teachers to plan for final exams
- Identifies areas for specific targeted intervention

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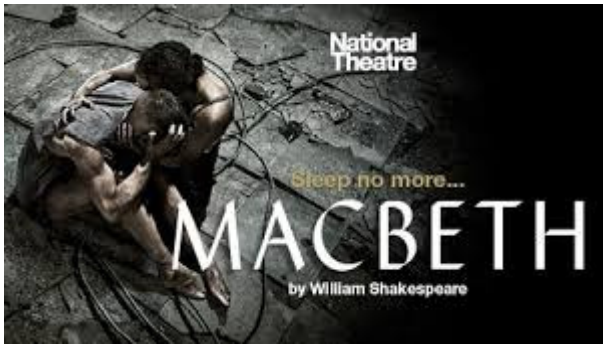
Shakespeare Plays

Double, double toil and trouble:
Fire burn, and cauldron bubble.
(Witches, Act 4 Scene 1)



That which hath made them drunk
hath made me bold:
What hath quenched them hath given
me fire.
(Lady Macbeth, Act 2 Scene 2)

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Primary School Projects

- Gayton - KS2 reading project involving parents
- Brancaster - project to encourage writing in reception age children
- Whitefriars – project to support struggling readers in years 2 - 4

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Transition

Our biggest challenge yet??

Working with Secondary and Primary Schools to try to co-ordinate the opportunity for all Year 6 students to attend a performance of Midsummers Night Dream at a secondary school during July 2019, and for both primary and secondary schools to work on this play before/after the production

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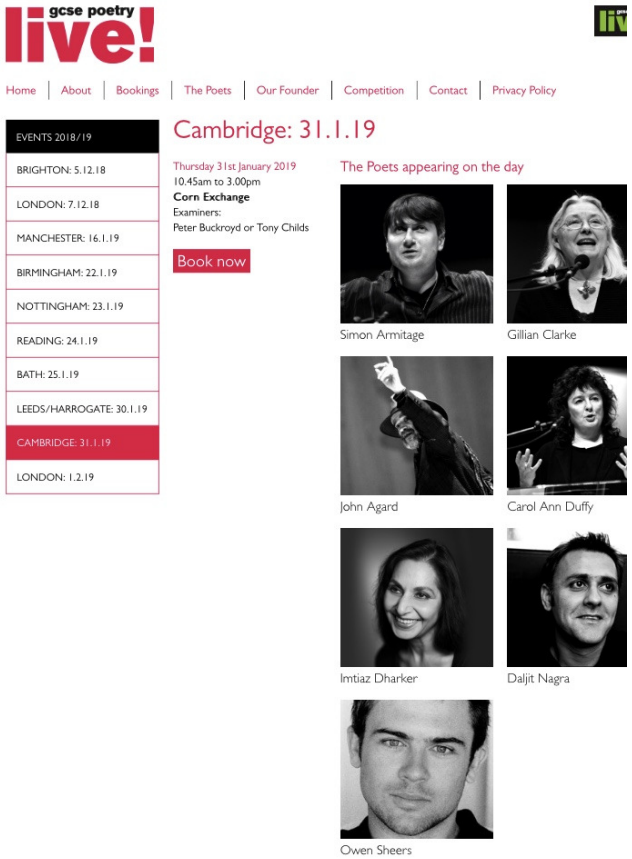
Disadvantaged Pupils

- Shakespeare Plays

- Poetry Live



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Job/Career Opportunities

- Futures Go Live! 2019
  - 4th April
  - Lynnsport
  - For all secondary schools in West Norfolk

- Attendance at various school specific events

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West Norfolk University Challenge Conference 19

- CWA University Centre
- 8 schools participated
- 116 students attended
- Mixed teams
- Aimed at high achievers
- Inspirational speakers

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Enjoying the University Challen

West Norfolk's most talented GCSE students gathered for a special University Challenge event, competing in science, maths and English.

The 116 students, selected from seven West Norfolk secondary schools, were set interactive tasks and had to work together in mixed school groups to tackle problems within strict time limits at the College of West Anglia's University Centre in King's Lynn.

The event, organised by the West Norfolk Council, the college and the schools involved, was designed to stretch pupils in the top 10 per cent of their school and give them a taste of higher education in a university setting.

Organisers said the aim of the West Norfolk University Challenge was to give the year 11 students an opportunity to push each other to their limits in their core subjects, build confidence and inspire them to achieve even better results in their GCSEs this summer.

The students received certificates from borough mayor Nick Daubney, who said: "It was a fascinating day and it was good to see how the teams organised themselves to capitalise on their strengths in each subject.

"The students learnt that to succeed they needed to cooperate and communicate.

"It was a competitive event which seemed to spur the pupils on and bring out the best in them. I felt proud to be part of it.

"The venue was the perfect setting for such an event. I hope that the day has inspired our year 11s to succeed."

Students from West Norfolk secondary schools are put to the test in the University Challenge event. Pictures: Paul Tibbs

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Other Activities Undertaken

- Continuation of Primary and Secondary Heads Networks
- Continued provision of mental health related training
- Worked with Stories of Lynn & Collusion

Current ‘work in progress’

- Developing cross primary school projects – including the idea of a Literacy Festival involving Stories of Lynn
- A project to ‘Bring Shakespeare to life for primary age children’
- Micro bits and coding project

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Priorities for 19/20

- Ongoing activities to support existing priorities
- Focus on reading and writing at primary level
- Specific, targeted interventions to support GCSE students
- Projects to support effective behaviours for learning

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Any Questions?

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