



Higgins & Mrs Pearce

My Fair Lady

Join flower-girl Eliza Dolittle on her journey from Covent Garden gutter to the Embassy Ball in this year's Christmas musical, 'My Fair Lady' (12th -15th December, 2006) by Alan Lerner & Frederick Loewe who in sparkling fashion retained the plot, characters and many of the lines from G B Shaw's 'Pygmalion.'

"Why can't the English teach their children how to speak? This verbal class distinction by now should be antique."

asks Professor Higgins.

Wolfson Foundation Grant

In December 2005 we were awarded a prestigious – and generous - Wolfson Foundation Grant to upgrade ICT equipment in Science. Greenhead College is the first Sixth Form College to receive such an award. We have installed much new equipment in the last year. **MR**



Physics students using the new ripple tank.

"Think Pink!" for Breast Cancer Research – 19th October 2006

On Thursday 19th October, Greenhead College went PINK! The whole college got involved by wearing pink clothing (day and night) in order to raise money for Breast Cancer Research. The event was a total success and we raised an amazing £1500! Thank you to everyone who got involved.



Charity Day 2006

This year we raised the highest ever Charity Day amount at £4000. This brings the total Student Council Charity donation to £5500 since last January. Many thanks to all who contributed – hope everyone enjoyed the show!

Senior Students

National Performance Success:

Jemima Martin has been selected for the National Youth Theatre. In April, she was one of 30 youngsters throughout Great Britain to perform a cabaret for Prince Edward and his guests at St James's Palace. Jemima has also performed in 'Blue Moon over Poplar' and Shakespeare's 'Much Ado About Nothing'. Jemima comments "I feel very lucky indeed to be given such fantastic opportunities so early in my career."

PaWS 2006/07: Record Numbers in Work!

A record number of work shadowing placements were carried out in PaWS week in June by our students across the country and abroad, including 10 students who spent a week in Huddersfield's twin town, Besançon in France (pictured).

We are always looking for new placement opportunities. If you are able to offer a placement for our PaWS week 2007 (18-22 June), please contact Claire Barnes, Placement Officer, on 01484 422032 or email cbarnes@greenhead.ac.uk.



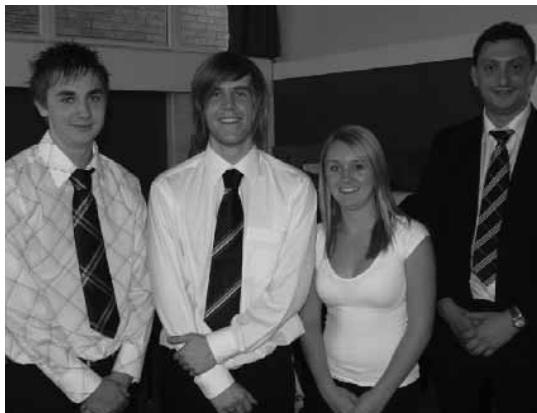
Greenhead Careers:

"Tell me about yourself." Our prospective doctors, dentists, vets and teachers have attempted to do this during a mock interview with a professional: feedback is proving invaluable as they cope with the "real thing." Tutorials have explored diverse interviewing techniques and all have access to a bank of interview questions.

Business Studies Students in National Finals of Ogden Trust Competition

In July Greenhead College sent a team of three students to Manchester Grammar School to the North West area heat of the Ogden Trust National Schools' Business Competition. This required the team to make strategic decisions under intense pressure to construct a business plan and present their proposal to an audience of their peers and members of the business community. After winning the regional heat, Greenhead went through to the national semi finals at Manchester Business School in September.

The teams were judged by the originality of their ideas, their business plan, marketing proposals, use of data and their ability to think on their feet and answer questions from the audience. The team was one of two chosen to represent the North West and came third in the National Finals in Cambridge.



From left: Greenhead team: Jonathan Badrock, Francis Lootes and Sally Milnes with one of the judges, Marc Duschenes MD of Braemar Group plc

Another term, another Geography fieldtrip

Early October means Preston Montford to the Geography department (now over 25 years of visits there). The A2 trip involves hands on experience of Soils (yes, soils), identifying Podzols from Brown Earths! The most essential aspect of the trip was a study of succession at Llanymynech on the England-Wales border.

RBR

Engineering Excellence:



James Lawson

James Lawson (pictured), who left college in 2005, received a prestigious award in London from the Institute of Mechanical Engineers. The scholarship, which will help James finance his time at Bristol University, is given to exceptionally strong students applying for degrees in Engineering.

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'Nex' step 'the world' ...

'Nex', the increasingly popular Huddersfield band, shot their video for the single 'The Worm' on a November Sunday in the Drama Studio. Three of the band, Ed Dickinson, Chris Kiernan and Euan Hill (The Professional) are former Greenhead students (2000-2002) as is their choreographer, Ellen Snarr. Three current Greenhead students featured in the video and lots of others had the opportunity to contribute to the crowd scenes. The rock magazine 'Kerrang!' gave Nex's London gig 5 Ks (out of 5) praising their "remarkable talent and irresistible sense of pure unadulterated fun."

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Tom Hutchinson featuring in Nex's video



India Trip

This summer's India trip was an incredible opportunity to experience the country's culture, landscape and heritage. The highlight was our contribution of £1500 to the Tibetan Children's Orphanage in Leh, which was most gratefully received.

by Max Middleton



The group meet the locals in Manali

Global Agenda Conference

Students participated in a 'Global Agenda Conference', a "unique event aimed at raising the awareness of major world concerns including poverty, energy and the environment." The conference was held at the Reeds Hotel in Barton upon Humber, North Lincolnshire on 10th November, 2006. Greenhead students joined 11 other colleges in which they assumed the role of Ambassador to one of the 192 nations recognised by the UN.

Thanks for the Memory:

Congratulations to Jenny Wilkinson who with other selected members of the Halle Youth Choir, was chosen to perform at the Labour Party's GMEX Centre conference. Choristers sang 'Oklahoma', 'The Red Flag' and 'Jerusalem' to an enthusiastic reception from the 5000 strong audience. Then it was backstage not just for the expected exit but also for surprise congratulations from Tony and Gordon (in rare harmony!) and memorable photographs. Jenny found it "an amazing experience which I will never forget."

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SPORT NEWS

GIRLS FOOTBALL:

Four games have been played in the Merit League. Dearne Valley and Barnsley defeated us, but good wins were gained against Huddersfield New College and Calderdale College. In the North East Region 'five-a-side' competition, we reached the Finals and beat York (4-1), drew 1-1 with Dearne Valley but lost to eventual winners Gateshead.

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FOOTBALL 1ST XI:

With 11 of last year's squad still available, and defenders Alex Slack and Shaun Butler, strikers Will Best and Matt Hallam, the signs are promising for a successful season. We are playing in the Yorkshire Merit, West Yorkshire League, West Yorkshire U19 Cup and so far all 11 games have been won. A sterner test awaits in the form of St John Rigby College (Wigan) in the National Colleges Cup.

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2ND XI:

The 2nd XI have so far maintained a 100% record this season. We have had a habit of making the games difficult for ourselves by having come from behind, but this has resulted in two good victories over Barnsley College (3-1 and 5-2) and Huddersfield New College (4-2.) Closely fought victories over Queen Elizabeth College, Darlington (1-0), Wyke College, Hull (2-1) and Pontefract College (1-0) have also featured.

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3RD XI:

The 3rd XI are competing in the Yorkshire Merit League and have made an encouraging start. They have beaten Fulneck School twice (5-0 and 2-1) and Heckmondwike Grammar (5-4.) They have also drawn (4-4) with Mirfield Grammar. The two defeats have been closely fought encounters. If they maintain this form they should progress to the play-off finals.

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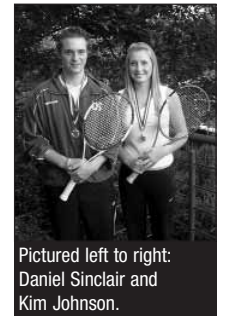
4TH XI:

A series of brilliant victories have been marred only by defeat away at Darlington where two goals were conceded while we did the warm ups. High spots were the 7 or 8 (we lost count!) win over Penistone and the defeat of New College.

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GREENHEAD COLLEGE SENIOR BOYS' TENNIS TEAM

Congratulations to Paul Noble, Joe Wood, Miles Fulton and Michael Williams who have qualified for the National Finals to be held at Bolton Tennis Arena on Monday 3 April. Over 300 teams entered this LTA competition sponsored by Nestlé. This competition is open to players rated 7.1 or below. The boys became Yorkshire champions with convincing victories over local Yorkshire schools and then went on to triumph over Durham Johnston School, the North East champions (6-0 rubbers) and Belmont House, the Scottish champions (6-0 rubbers). **HB**



Pictured left to right: Daniel Sinclair and Kim Johnson.

GREENHEAD COLLEGE MIXED DOUBLES TENNIS TEAM

Our mixed doubles tennis team reached the semi-finals of the Nestlé U19 Mixed Doubles competition with victories over several Lancashire teams. The team narrowly missed qualification to the National final losing by only four games to Pocklington School, York. **HB**

Hockey:

Another season has set off at a cracking pace with keen and enthusiastic players of differing abilities blending into girls, boys and mixed teams. The girls' team were triumphant in the West Yorkshire U18 Schoolgirl Championships. They will now represent West Yorkshire in the North East Tournament in Sunderland. Seven Greenhead girls have been selected to represent the county hockey teams: Holly Crank, Lindsay Molyneux, Natalie Yeung, Charlotte Croft, Amy Flynn, Ruth Mcgovern and Hannah Moore. Holly and Lindsay also played for the North of England team during half term and were selected to attend further England trials - a brilliant achievement. The mixed team are playing in the Yorkshire Merit League and the boys' and girls' hockey teams have both qualified to represent the NE Region at the BCS National Championships before Easter at Loughborough University.

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NEW FACES....

Still in the hills

Forget any stereotypes about Warrington folk. Our latest recruit to the Geography



team who was born there is a bright young female who likes mountain walking and is interested in Art. Kate Haslam, with a Durham BA, brings teaching experience in Keswick and most recently Bluecoats School in Oldham.

By Simon Maynard

Legally Blonde

Lynsey Jones, Law teacher and Personal Tutor, discovered her passion for criminal law after her father had told her to do a "career focused degree." Now, with a degree in Law, a year's experience with a solicitor and a PGCE in Business Education, she's at Greenhead. Blonde and brainy - guilty as charged.



By Phillippa Hellawell

Good Catch

ICT teacher Jay Patel who enters the college with 15 years experience finds Greenhead "a very busy environment." Coming from Brighton he is taking over as the new head of ICT. Outside college his interests include cricket, guitar and singing in church.



By Alexander Bray

Coming North

Jane Phelan brings plenty of experience to the Theatre Studies department, not only in London FE colleges but also as a freelance director. Spare time? It's filled with gardening, cooking and occasionally designing and making jewellery for London markets and shops. And Greenhead? "I've learnt to avoid the main hall at lunchtime," she laughs.

By Ena Basic



Dr Smith Comes North

"Patient, enthusiastic and untidy": that's how Dr Martin Smith squeezes himself into three words. He might have said 'numerate' with a PhD in Maths under his belt. Outside the Maths classes he enjoys walking, playing the guitar and eating out. Any advice for students? "Make the most of your chances at University." By Anna Chowcat



Polygot Man

Paul Teahan speaks five languages: French, Spanish, Italian, English and Polish. It's the Spanish that he uses in classrooms. Paul, a 23-year-old graduate of Durham, thinks "being young helps to relate." When not teaching he reads and makes good use of his Sheffield United season ticket. If they win, he'll celebrate and give us more homework. Thanks, Paul.



By David Greaves

At One with the Animals

Norfolk-born Tara Wadding is our new Senior Biology Technician with a HND in Zoology. And her love of animals isn't academic: she looks after three cats, three rabbits, three degus, three gerbils, Madagascan giant hissing cockroaches and giant African land snails. What's her favourite sandwich filling? "Vegetarian sausages with brown sauce." Nice!

By Lateisha Lovelace-Hanson



A2 Theatre Studies Production: Arabian Nights

An array of narrative riches.....

Two A2 Theatre Studies groups combined to present a Peter Brook inspired production of 'The Arabian Nights.' Like 1000 young brides before her, the new Queen is facing death: only the power of story-telling may save her. Six stories were enacted full of magic, mystery and comedy. Ultimately, her silver tongue wins the King's heart who is enchanted like the audience. It seems we really did 'Listen.'

"Listen!" Naomi Richardson & Jemima Martin



LONDON ART TRIP JULY 2006:

Once again a large group of A2 students travelled to London in search of inspiration for their studies. We spent a whole day at the Tate Modern. The students were amazed at the diversity of the work on show. We also visited the Business Design Centre, the Serpentine, the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Hayward Gallery, the National Gallery, the National Portrait Gallery and the Royal Academy. Another fantastic trip was had by all and a wealth of good times and experience to call upon for the coming year! **JST**



MODERN HISTORY TRIP October 2006



On 15th October, 65 students and staff departed to Berlin. Our first stop was at the trenches at Sanctuary Wood near Ypres. It provided a personal insight into the events of the First World War. This was our introduction to a busy week of visits to memorials, battle grounds and various sites of historic interest in France, Belgium and Berlin.

By Sophie Baldwin and Amy Anderson

Law Trip to London

The 21st of September saw a tired group of A2 students board a coach at 6am to travel down to the capital for two jam-packed days. A visit to the Old Bailey gave us a taste of high profile cases. We ventured to the Houses of Parliament for a tour and photo-opportunity.



by Lois Kapitan, Robyn Mayoh, Melanie Skuse and Katie Brancker

Greenhead College Christmas Appeal December 2006

This year we intend to raise enough money to build and furnish two classrooms in the developing world. Students will be encouraged to contribute and anyone else wishing to do so is asked to please send donations to Greenhead College.