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IT’S THE END OF A GREAT YEAR AT EPHS!



Blackpool Pleasure Beach

Pride Month Article:

Last month, people all across the country celebrated Pride Month from June 1st to 30th. People attended parades, parties, marches, and will continue to for many months to come as they show their pride in being a part of the LGBTQ+ Community or a supporter.

The reason for the event being in June is due to the Stonewall riots in 1969, Manhattan; the riots that changed gay rights all over the world. Pride Month has even been declared by 3 presidents, and is now known as a popular, official celebration in multiple countries. As a result of all of this, it is now known as a national celebration and has led to marriage equality laws, along with spreading awareness about LGBTQ+ culture and allowing them to share the same rights as heterosexual, cisgendered people.



The well know and recognized Pride Flag



Our girls’ end-ball game.

|Coming up...

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There are lots of ways people can celebrate Pride Month, including plenty of easy, quick things you can do to show your pride or respect and acceptance for those in the LGBTQ+ Community.

- Putting up or wearing Pride Flags
- Attending Pride events and celebrations, such as colourful parades, marches and concerts
- Donating to LGBTQ+ Charities, such as The Trevor Project
- Volunteer with LGBTQ+ organisations and support LGBTQ+ businesses
- More creative celebrations, such as dying your hair, LGBTQ+ based movie nights and creating art pieces based around it.

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Women’s Euros
A detailed insight into the tournament

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This year, England are hosting the women’s euros. The last time we hosted the tournament was in 2005, 17 years ago. Spain, who have not yet reached the finals, go in as favourites for the competition, with Germany coming close second. With 16 nations competing together, we’ve got a new guest, Northern Ireland, who have sent a new excitement running through the stadium.

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Consequently, from last week’s performance, we were unsure at what side England would show in their next game against Norway. It was expected to be a tight game, with England and Norway being quite close together in the FIFA world ranking. From the moment it kicked off, it was the very opposite. Following a penalty in the 12th minute that ended up in a goal, by Georgia Stanway, the lionesses seemed to be running rings around Norway. By 90 minutes, England had got themselves a whopping 8 goals. These were by: Georgia Stanway (p) 12’, Lauren Hemp 15’, Ellen White 29’ 41’, Beth Mead 34’ 48’ 81’, and Alessia Russo 66’. This incredible score will boost us up to the top of our group and put us a whole 8 goals ahead promising us a place in the quarter finals.



- Iceland
- Italy
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Portugal
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland

- England
- Northern Ireland
- Germany
- Austria
- Belgium
- Denmark
- Finland
- France



SPORTS

More info on the teams:

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- Spain has had a major setback as one of their key players, Alexia Putellas, got injured a day before the tournament. That did not unsettle them as they rattled the net in a 4-1 win against Finland.
- Portugal have replaced Russia, becoming the underdogs in this tournament. They did well to hold on to that 1 point in a tight 2-2 draw against Switzerland.
- Germany’s 18-year reign as champions of Europe was brought to an end in 2017 by the Netherlands, so they will be desperate to get the crown back and Netherlands will be determined on keeping that position in the leader board. Thanks to the match where Germany spanked Denmark 4-0, the competition has only just begun.
- As superstar Wendy Renard comes on for France, she brings her team to a victorious 5-1 result with one of their key players, Grace Geyoro, scoring a hattrick on Sunday 10th June

INTERVIEW

An Interview With
Miss Connor

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We interviewed Miss Connor and asked for her opinion on the starting England game against Austria:
Who was your favourite player/ who do you think played the best?

“I’d have to say Millie Bright; she stood out in the game for me. She was solid and commanding in defence.”

What was the atmosphere like in the stadium?
“Absolutely electric! Everyone was very eager to see England play!”

How do you think the team played?
“It wasn’t as good as their friendly matches. England were nervous and they need to work on that. I think they’ll have to show their real side in the next game.”

What was the highlight of the game?
“I think it has to be the goal by Beth Mead and the relief of getting a win.”

SCHOOL EVENT

Sports Day

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On Tuesday 5th July Ellesmere Park High School had a sports day for years 7,8 and 9! The day was flooded with games, teamwork and fun! Throughout the whole day everyone was cheering each other on and trying their hardest which created a purely joyous atmosphere filled with music and laughter. The first game for Y7 was end ball, for which you had to pass the ball to your teammates without moving and try to score a point by passing it to the person behind the line. Another sport that was played was football which was full of enthusiasm and teamwork as each form tried their best to win the match. Later on in the day, the athletics competitions were held. This consisted of male and female: hurdles, sprints, and relay. Even when it got challenging, everyone showed resilience and tried their very best.

The sheer excitement was apparent in everyone - including staff and pupils - and many are already looking forward to next year’s sports day. Whether you competed or not it’s safe to say everyone had an amazing time and Mrs. Lloyd certainly impressed people with her neon retro 80's outfit! Towards the end of the day there was the staff tournaments in which all the students at Ellesmere enjoyed seeing their teachers partaking in and seeing many fall on their face too! The tournament was in a relay style with the first set of teachers having to spin around then run to the next set. Then the teachers would have to run to the final set without dropping the ball they were holding with their legs. Finally, the last set of teachers would have to bounce to the end on space hoppers, however many of them cheated and gave up half way through!

Meanwhile everyone was cheering them on and many secretly hoping for someone to fall -which Mr. Parson’s achieved! Next the teachers partook in a tug of war which was equally as funny. During the day we asked some teachers and students of how they thought the day was going: **Mrs. Kavanagh-** ‘It is very organized; everyone is having fun and the teachers are enjoying not being behind the desk!’ **Eilidh Steward in year 7-** ‘I think it is going great, people are really enjoying themselves even if they aren’t competing. I’ve seen lots of teamwork and determination.’ **Miss Holondo-** ‘I think it is going amazingly well, people are putting in a lot of effort, especially 7a!’

Climate Change

Climate change is a global crisis which is inevitable and urgent. Over the past century, human activities have released large amounts of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases, which trap the suns heat like a tight blanket. This leads to climate change and global warming, forcing innocent species to quickly adapt to their new, inadequate homes. Warmer temperatures, are, over time, changing our normal weather patterns and disrupting the usual balance of nature. This forms many risks for human beings and any kind of life on planet earth. quickly adapt to their new, inadequate homes. Warmer temperatures, are, over time, changing our normal weather patterns and disrupting the usual balance of nature. This forms many risks for human beings and any kind of life on planet earth.

Recent Climate News

- Finnish researchers have installed the world’s first fully working “sand battery” which can store green power for months at a time. The inventors state that this could solve the problem of year-round supply, a major issue for green energy.
- Draught disaster declared in northern Italy. The drought is threatening just over 30% of Italy’s farm produce, an agricultural union warns.
- Australia floods put 50,000 people on evacuation alert. Roads have been cut and houses are completely submerged.
- Italian glacier collapse kills seven people. Mario Draghi, Italy’s prime minister says the incident is “without a doubt” linked to climate change.

What can we do about it?

Climate change needs to be addressed immediately. Here are just a few ways we can do put a stop to climate change. There are lots of things the government and other huge companies can do, but every little helps:

- Save energy at home, work and other buildings.

You can do this by lowering your heating, opening windows for light and air and make sure you turn chargers and lights off when you leave - this can also save the cost of energy bills.

- Walk, cycle or take public transport

One of the main reasons why global warming is happening is because of the diesel and petrol burning and going up into the atmosphere. To fix this problem, take public transport like buses and trams, cycle or just simply walk.

- Eat more vegetables and less meat

To get meat, cattle need to be raised in an open space, which means we have to cut down trees to get that space. This is called deforestation. Producing plant-based foods generally result in fewer greenhouse gas emissions and requires less energy, land and water.



TRIP

Blackpool Pleasure Beach

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On Monday 4th July to Friday 15th July, many of the members in our school went on a full day trip to Blackpool to visit the UK’s favorite amusement park, Pleasure Beach. Students had to be at school by 8:35 to be sorted into groups, before taking an hour and a half long coach ride up to Blackpool. They arrived around 10:30, with plenty of time to enjoy the rides– five and a half hours.

At Blackpool Pleasure Beach, there are tons of attractions and stops to visit, and that includes food stalls, ranging from Candy Floss stalls to Burger Kings. They have smaller game stalls such as Hook-A-Duck and Targets, along with their famous rides and their less popular, but equally enjoyable, smaller rides.

The amusement park holds a mass of amazing, thrilling rides to discover, some of the more popular rides include: The Icon, The Tango Ice blast, The Big One and Steeple Chase. Another popular area in the park is Nickelodeon Land, which consists of various smaller rides and a larger rollercoaster called Nickelodeon Streak. The smaller, child-friendly rides are comprised of a mini rollercoaster named The Blue Flyer, a miniature dropper ride called The Krusty Krab, which is similar to the Tango Ice Blast, and various other classic rides. Around the park, themed rides such as Noah’s Ark and Ghost Train, Bumper Cars and the popular Carousel, were also extremely fun options to go on.



Students had a lot of choice with an all-day pass and unlimited rides, considering the size of the park and the multitude of attractions, but hopefully everyone made the most of that incredible day. Overall, I would say everybody had an amazing time, whether they had an adrenaline rush on the giant rollercoasters or ended up soaked from water-based rides, it was a wonderful day out for everyone and an amazing experience! On behalf of everyone we would like to thank the amazing staff that organized the day!



INTERVIEW

An interview with Mrs. St John

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Mrs. St John, the Deputy Head Teacher at Ellesmere Park high school, gave us an insight into her hobbies and journey to becoming a teacher.

During your childhood what did you want to be?

“A fashion designer - I always wanted to be one. My Mum even said my first word was frock (dress)!”

How did you become a teacher?

“Well, I studied fashion design at St Martin’s college in London. Then I went on to specialize in Fashion Illustration and work for the Daily Telegraph assisting the Fashion editor. However, I developed very bad chicken pox so I moved back home to Liverpool since I couldn’t stay in London. For a few years after I worked as a freelance artist, a good friend suggested I try teacher training. The minute I started I loved it and I had found something I was good at. The rest is history!”

What is a funny experience you’ve had as a teacher?

“Once a boy in my art class tripped over a chair and landed with his head stuck in a huge tub of paint! When he finally got his head out, paint went everywhere! During this me and the class tried our hardest to keep a straight face.”

What do you like to do in your free time?

“I like to be in the fresh air as much as possible since at school I’m always inside. Also, I do a lot of running (I’m not really the cooking mum type). By the way, Mr. Ross was lying when he said curling was his favorite sport!”

Message to pupils:

“All children are unique and gifted. I learn as much from the students I teach as they learn from me. My motto when teaching is never judge a child. Everyone has a superpower you just need to find it!”



INTERVIEW

Mrs. St John’s life in and outside of school