



The Dixie Grammar School

Nursery • Junior • Senior

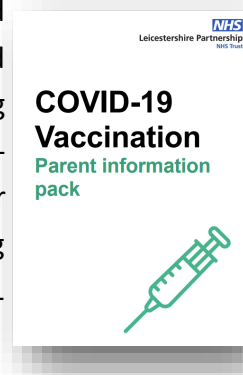
From the
Headmaster

Contents:

News @ Dixie October 2021

Dear Parents,

I hope you have all enjoyed a relaxing break and that your children are looking forward to the challenges of the half term ahead. I know that for some of you the last two weeks have been difficult, with Covid-19 infection interrupting family reunions, holidays and other planned events. A key part of our strategy in reducing transmission of Covid-19 is the routine of twice-weekly testing at home—testing this weekend before a return to school on Monday is key to us starting back in the safest way possible. Thank you for your support in ensuring regular testing last half-term—we monitor the list of those logging results on our website in our weekly Health and Safety meetings on Monday mornings; the high rate of testing has helped minimise infection rates in school. Please ensure all students are Covid tested in advance of Monday morning — and please remember to log results [on our website](#) and [with the NHS](#). We have had no further information regarding the planned Covid-19 vaccinations of 12-15 year olds on Monday 1 November and so must assume that this is going ahead as planned. Information was sent out via Weduc on 14/10/2021 and has been sent out again this afternoon (Saturday 30/10/2021).



A focus for the Leadership Team over the summer break was the evaluation of the School Development Plan and identification of key priorities for this academic year. Within our whole school threads of Digital Literacy, Transition, Environmental and Anti-Discrimination ambitious plans have been made and some already realised, including a new Sixth Form Centre, Chrome books issued to all Year 10 students, the monitoring and tracking of food waste, development of Diversity Prefect roles and our anti discrimination project with Stafford Grammar School.

Other year group specific priorities include: **Years 6/7** LAMDA exams for all, return of the intergenerational care project, greater access to academic support; **Years 8/9** Geography field trip, History documentary, educational visits and a maths activity day with the Junior School; **Years 10/11** social reintegration to foster positive peer relationships, support with academic progress, further development of post-16 advice and support; **Sixth Form** further development of one-one tutorials, whole school leadership opportunities and the cross-school project.

Our focus this year will be on re-establishing the activities and opportunities within school which do so much to impact pupils' personal development: which are so much a feature of Dixie school life and that have been largely missing for the last eighteen months. The remainder of this newsletter is largely pictorial and evidences your children's progress last half term as we have prioritised our co-curricular programme, clubs, societies, sporting, musical, academic and other opportunities. With grateful thanks for your continued support and best wishes for the half term ahead,



Richard Hyman



The Dixie Grammar School
Nursery • Junior • Senior

From the
Headmaster

Contents:

Dixie Fest 2021

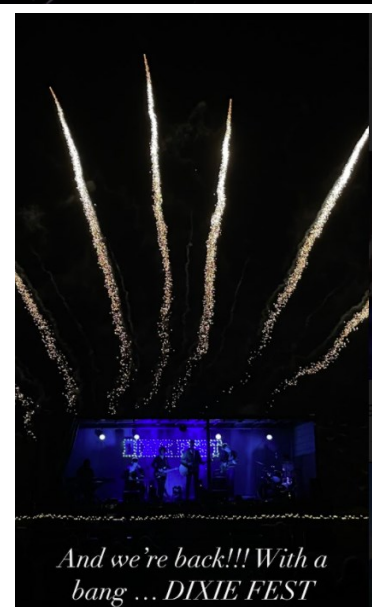
News @ Dixie October 2021



Picture taken by Mrs Rolph



Woohoo



And we're back!!! With a bang ... DIXIE FEST





The Dixie Grammar School
Nursery • Junior • Senior

From the
Headmaster

Contents:

Astronaut Training Club—Mars Project



Dixie Bake-Off



Mrs Hannaghan had an impressive 46 contestants for the preliminary round of the Rotary Young Chef Competition—congratulations to all participants and grateful thanks to the staff for judging! Particular congratulations to those progressing to the next stage: Sam Giles, Isla Millership, Ava Butwell, Erin Middleton, Lizzie Daniels and Lucy Chapman.

Year 6 Harry Potter Film Night





Sporting Participation and Success



Dixie Ski Team— ISA National Champions 2021



The Dixie Grammar School
Nursery • Junior • Senior

From the
Headmaster

Contents:



The Dixie Grammar School

Nursery • Junior • Senior

From the
Headmaster

Contents:

News @ Dixie October 2021

Sporting Participation and Success



Our ISA National winning Ski Team quartet—minus Lawson Ashfield

Mandarin pen-pals

With the support of our former Hanban teacher Miss Lei Wang, thirteen Year 10 and 11 students from Dixie Grammar school paired up with thirteen students in Daqing high school in Daqing city, Northeast of China. They are exploring their new friendships via email.

The students send bilingual emails to each other every month. In their emails, they talk about themselves and their family, also discuss their school life and personal interests. They have shown great interest in each other's daily life and shared their happiness and worries. In order to improve the learning of the target language, they will also correct mistakes in their native language for their pen pals. All students involved are passionate about building this new friendship.

From: **Sophie Penrose** <email address>
Date: Sat, 18 Sept 2021 at 14:34
Subject: 你好!
To: <email address>

你好杨雯淇

我叫 Sophie Penrose. 我十四岁了和我的生日是二零零七年二月十日。我上十年级。在学校我学九门课: 数学, 英语, 物理, 化学, 生物, 地理, 历史 等。我最喜欢课是中文或者德语。我不喜欢化学和数学。

我家有四口人: 妈妈, 爸爸, 姐姐和我。我们住在一个叫 Leicester 的城市附近。我的爸爸是商人。我姐姐叫 Kathryn 在超市工作 (她十九岁了)。她也喜欢语言, 她正在学法语和英语在大学。

Last week I went
around 8:30AM

From: **baekhun** <email address>
Date: Thu, 7 Oct 2021 at 03:38
Subject: 回复: 你好!
To: Sophie Penrose <email address>
你好, Sophie Penrose

我是杨雯淇, 我 16 岁, 在念高二, 我的生日是 8.26。

我们有 6 科: 数学 语文 英语 政治 历史 地理, 我不喜欢政治和英语, 因为我觉得很难, 我喜欢数学和地理。

我家有 3 口人: 我妈妈, 爸爸还有我, 我的爸爸妈妈都是工人。你有喜欢的明星吗?

Dear Sophie Penrose

I am very glad to receive your letter. Because of my careless, the letter may have some problems. Please forgive me for the unclear language.

Because of the different cultures, the food will be different. I want to know what do you eat in the morning and is there anything you can recommend.

I look forward to your next reply



The Dixie Grammar School
Nursery • Junior • Senior

From the
Headmaster

Contents:

发件人: "Eleanor Weston"<email address>
发送时间: 2021 年 10 月 3 日(周日) 晚上 10:50
收件人: "2256911892"<email address>;
主题: Pen Pal- 笔友

你好, 我叫 Ellie。你叫什么名字? 我 14 岁了。我的生日是二零零六年十月三十日。我住在 Leicester。我和妈妈、爸爸和弟弟住在一起。我妈妈叫 Nicola, 她 五十岁了。我爸爸叫 Phil, 他四十八岁了。我弟弟叫 William, 他十一岁了。

I have a dog called Alfie and he is 4 years old. I have a small grey kitten called Zeekie, she is very funny! I also have 4 chickens. I have lots of friends and I enjoy talking with them. I look forward to hearing from you and getting to know you!

From: 2256911892 <email address>
Date: Mon, 4 Oct 2021 at 05:08
Subject: 回复: Pen Pal- 笔友 I am in year 10 at school and my favourite subjects are languages, DT and RS.
To: Eleanor Weston <email address>

你好! 很高兴能成为你的笔友! 我叫孙瑞雪, 今年 17 岁, 今年正在读高二, 我学的是文科, 但是英文不是很好, 所以我应该多加练习。我生活在黑龙江省, 位于中国东北, 这里四季分明, 但是冬天很冷, 你们的天气怎么样呢?

I live with my family. there are five people in my family: my parents and my grandparents and I. I also have three younger cousin. we all love each other! but I do not have pet. because my mother did not allow. I remember two years ago I also have several hens that I hatched it myself. That is very interesting. My favourite subject is PE because than I can play with my friend.

发件人: "Nadia Gauhar" <email address>;
发送时间: 2021 年 10 月 4 日(星期一) 凌晨 2:39
收件人: "桉沢渝"<email address>;
主题: Hi :)

你好! 我叫 Nadia, 我是十五岁了。我在学校十一年级。我从十一岁在学校上汉语课, 但是我觉得一点难所以我的写作可能错误的...
我跟我家一起住在一个小村。我有一个哥哥, 也有一个姐姐, 但是因为他们都比我大很多所以他们在伦敦上大学。你有兄弟姐妹吗? 或者你有宠物吗? 虽然我没有宠物, 可是我将来想要一只猫。

Out of school, I do swimming and running, but I don't do competitions at all anymore. I also play piano, but definitely not at concerts. What are your hobbies? I read quite a bit, but I often read the same books over and over again instead of new ones. Do you have any particular favourite books? I have a couple that I plan to read eventually, but I don't always get around to

From: 桉沢渝 <email address>
Date: Tue, 5 Oct 2021, 01:50
Subject: 回复: Hi :)
To: Nadia Gauhar <email address>

你好! 我叫李馨雨, 今年十六岁了。我从六岁开始学英语, 我很喜欢英语这也是我最擅长的科目。这是我第一次使用邮箱写信, 请原谅我有不足的地方。我住在中国北方的一个省份, 冬天的时候这是全国最冷的省份。我没有兄弟姐妹, 所以从小到大我都很孤单。我没有呢养过宠物, 因为我妈妈认为那会让我的房间很乱, 但是我想养一只狗。

I am outgoing and friendly girl. I have lots of habits. Such as singing, running, playing badminton and so on. I like reading 《Harry Potter》and movies. I have seen it many times. I always like to read the same book. It can improve my English level. Do you have any difficulties in learning Chinese? How often do we reply to each other's letters? I think we should set an accurate time.



The Dixie Grammar School
Nursery • Junior • Senior

From the
Headmaster

Contents:

Year 6 Maths



STEM Club





Upper Sixth Geography—Field trip September 2021



Equestrian Club—British Schools National Champions



Sixth Form—leadership opportunities this term include Peer Mentor training (external), Dixie Leaders Award (academic), academic buddying, Language Acquisition (English Language A Level students in class in the Nursery) and sporting activities with Pippins Nursery at Barton Road!





Open Morning—Saturday 9 October

The Dixie Grammar School

Nursery • Junior • Senior

From the
Headmaster

Contents:



Biology dissection modesty screen!



Sailing Success

Imogen Green—
Invited to the Mid-
lands Regional train-
ing Group 2021/22
and the Team Leices-
tershire Talent
Athlete program.

[Click here](#) to see a
short video of the
fearless Imogen in
action!





The Dixie Grammar School

Nursery • Junior • Senior

From the
Headmaster

Contents:

News @ Dixie October 2021



Dixie Sixth form students' collaborative project with Stafford Grammar—leading Dixie's response to issues of misogyny and consent.



Photographic Competition

Dixie 2021/22



Categories

* Industrial * Landscape * Self portrait

Deadline

Hand to Mrs Mcgranaghan ... 14th January 2022

Format

Print onto photographic paper A4 size Retain large file as a JPEG

