

A young child with curly blonde hair is the central figure. They are wearing a white robe with a gold-embroidered border and a yellow long-sleeved shirt underneath. Their hands are clasped near their face, and they have a surprised expression with wide eyes and an open mouth. The background is dark and out of focus, with a warm light source creating a soft glow on the child's face and hair. In the bottom right corner, the back of another child's head is partially visible.

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2023

MICHAELMAS SCHOOL LIFE

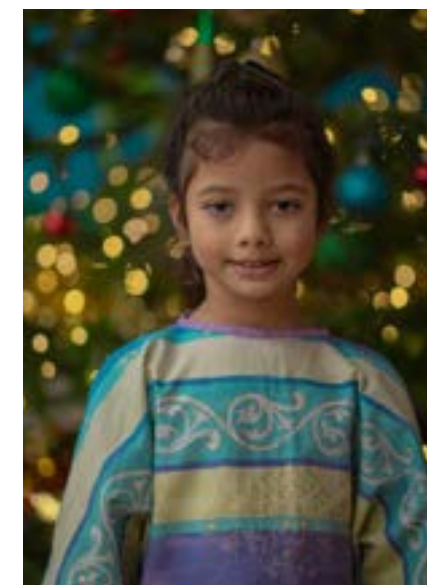
NURSERY CHRISTMAS SHOW

What a special spectacle to see our youngest ones putting on a Christmas Show.



A SPECIAL NATIVITY

Taking to the stage in the Pre-Prep hall, Transition and Reception pupils put on a marvellous Nativity.





PRE-PREP CAROL SERVICE

At St Edmund's Church in Taverham, the Pre-Prep Carol Service was a wonderful festive service enjoyed by all. Our Pre-Prep community enjoyed singing carols and hearing readings from the children.



PREP CAROL SERVICE

At St Peter Mancroft Church in the heart of Norwich, the Prep Carol Service was a truly wonderful event enjoyed by staff, pupils and families.



SENIOR CAROL SERVICE

In Norwich Cathedral, Langley Senior School enjoyed a Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols with performances from the choir, orchestra and readings from pupils and students. The Prep School Choir also performed brilliantly.



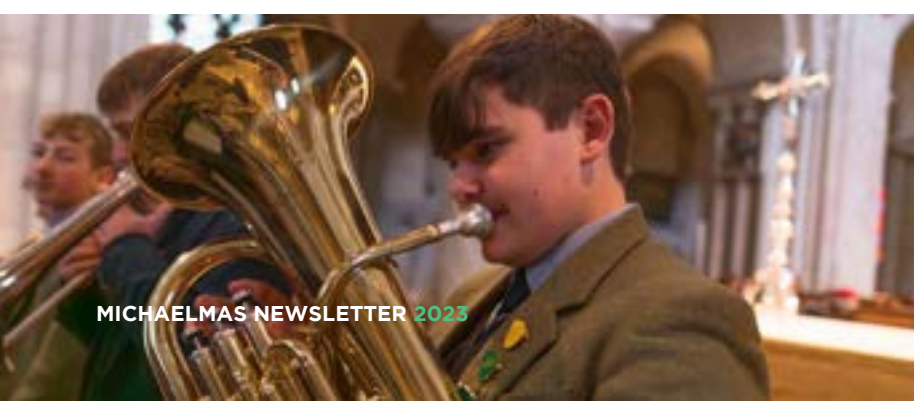
SENIOR SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR

Our Senior Prefects held a Festive Fair in aid of charity. Stalls included a range of tasty treats and fun activities.



CHARITY FUNDRAISING

This year, the Senior School Prefects have chosen to support local charity 'Little Lifts'. More than £1500 was donated as part of Giving Tuesday and Comfy Day. Over £1000 has also been raised for House charities and the People's Picnic and Chet valley larder projects.



CHRISTMAS JUMPERS

We all took part in Christmas Jumper Day, including Headmaster Mr Perriss and the latest merit winners.

REMEMBRANCE

Langley marked Remembrance with a series of poignant events. Nursery pupils made poppy biscuits; Prep pupils went to a service at St Edmund's Church in Taverham, Langley CCF cadets attended the service at Norwich War Memorial Cottages and led their own service on Remembrance Sunday at the Senior School's on-site chapel.





MICROSOFT SHOWCASE SCHOOL

Langley proudly became a Microsoft Showcase School, making us a part of an elite group of schools that exemplify the best of teaching and learning using technology.



PRE-PREP HOUSE CAPTAINS

House captains, which are always chosen from Year 2, were announced by Mr Outwin-Flinders in a special Pre-Prep assembly.

PREP HEAD BOY AND GIRL

November saw the announcement of Prep Head Boy Finley W (Year 8) and Head Girl Amy T (Year 8). Huge congratulations to our two leaders.



MENTOR PROGRAMME IN FULL SWING

Year 3 and Year 8 pupils were partnered up in our Mentor programme.



PREP HOUSE CAPTAINS NAMED

We celebrated this year's new House captains at the start of term.



PREP PREFECTS ANNOUNCED

At the start of the Michaelmas term, our new Prep Prefects were announced. Congratulations to all who have joined the Prefect team.



PREP PUPILS ENTER THE WORLD OF ROBOTICS

Robotics was the first module in the new subject CDR (Computer Design and Robotics), which helps to further increase STEM in the curriculum.



CCF INSPECTION PARADE

Headmaster, Mr Perriss, carried out his formal inspection of our Combined Cadet Force at Loddon.



NEW HEAD OF PREP

We were delighted to welcome Mr Outwin-Flinders as Head at the Prep School.



JEANS FOR GENES DAY

Prep pupils sported their favourite jeans for the annual fund-raising day.



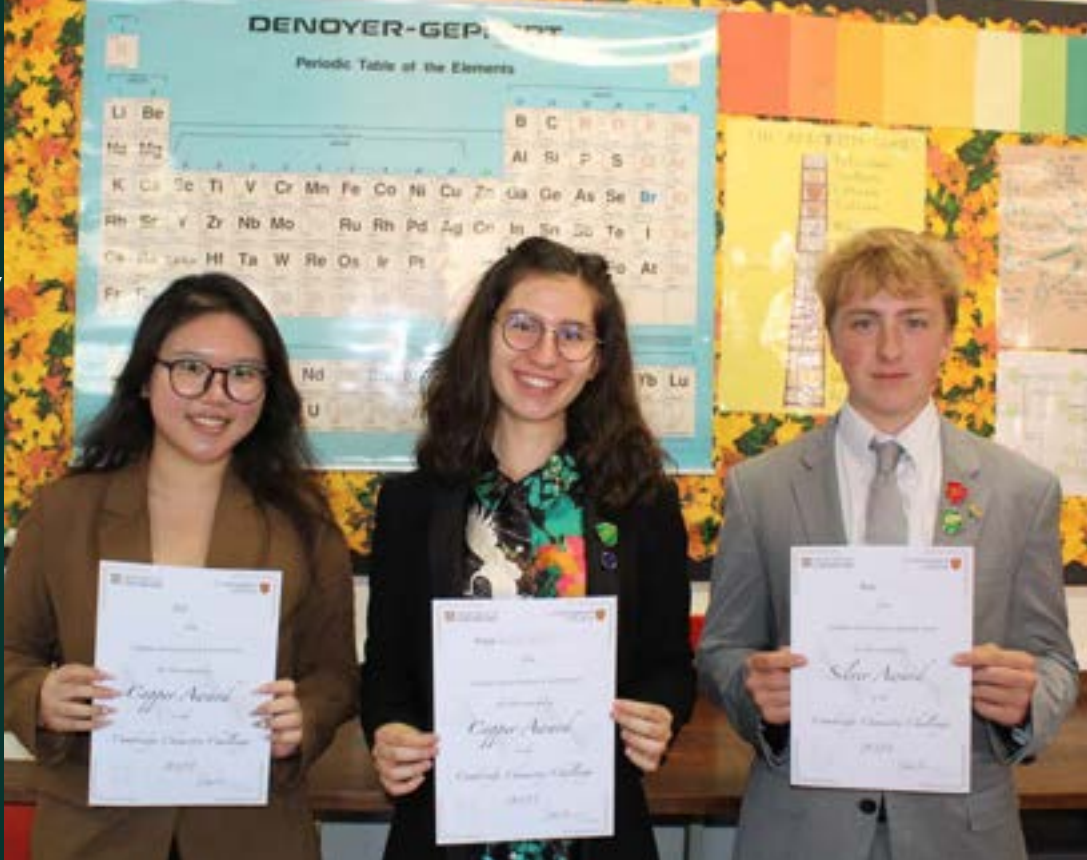
HAVING A BALL

The end of term Christmas Ball was enjoyed by our Sixth Formers, who dined and danced the night away.



CAMBRIDGE CHEMISTRY CHALLENGERS

Upper Sixth students Kaja K and Veronica S received Copper certificates and Asa C received Silver in the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge, well done to them all.



HARVEST FESTIVAL

Transition and Reception pupils celebrated Harvest Festival in a service led by Reverend Seabrook. Food donations were also made to the Salvation Army.



EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

It was a time to reflect on the diversity and richness of languages, and enjoy a special lunch and fun activities at Loddon for European Day of Languages.

MINI SCIENCE FAIR

Year 7 pupils at Taverham developed their own science-themed projects for a very successful Mini Science Fair.



SCIENCE WITH LOCAL SCHOOLS

Every Tuesday for the first half of the Michaelmas term, Year 5 pupils from Seething & Mundham Primary School visited Loddon for Science enrichment sessions.



WORKING WITH OUR LOCAL PEERS

Every Tuesday for the second half of the Michaelmas term, Year 5 pupils from Thurton Primary School came to Loddon for special Science sessions.



LANGLEY LIGHTNING STRIKES AGAIN

The F24 'Langley Lightning' came third in the F24 Kit Car class at the World Finals hosted at Goodwood. Well done to the team: Gabriel P (Year 9), Toby M (Year 9), Charlie L (Year 10) and Patterson B (Year 10).



SPONSORED WALK SUCCESS

From Nursery to Year 8, pupils raised money for Sarcoma UK by doing a sponsored walk around our Taverham campus.

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

A special assembly at Prep marked World Mental Health Day.



CHEF BAINBRIDGE

Richard Bainbridge of the 3 AA Rosette restaurant Benedicts delivered an inspiring talk about his career to our GCSE and Sixth Form Food & Nutrition pupils and students.



OUTDOOR LEARNING FUN

Transition pupils fully immersed themselves in the great outdoors, making the most of our wonderful woodland this term..

TRANSLATION TALENT

Congratulations to Year 9 pupil Harry C for his commendation in the Schools Laureate Prize 2023, a national competition, for his translation from Spanish to English of the poem ‘Cuando éramos niños.’



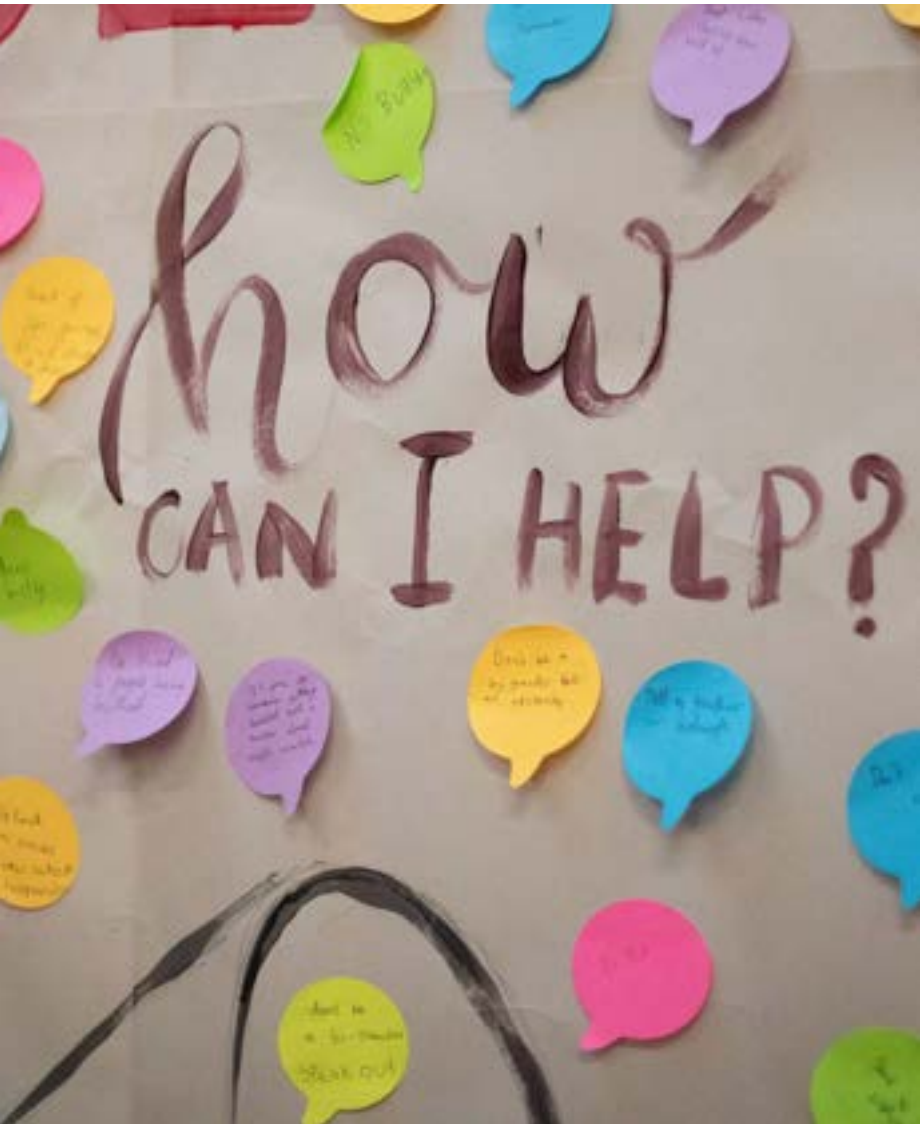
ROYAL MAIL!

In 2022, pupils now in Year 4 wrote letters to The King wishing him well for his Coronation. The King wrote back, thanking them for such kindness!



ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Starting on World Kindness Day and Odd Socks Day on Monday 13th November, the whole school took part in inclusive activities to mark the significance of Anti-Bullying Week.



FESTIVAL OF LANGUAGES

Year 7 pupils from Prep and Senior came together for fun activities and a special lunch in celebration of the Festival of Languages.



FIREWORKS SPECTACULAR

Thank you to the Langley Parents for organising this year's fireworks spectacular and to everyone who attended the much-loved annual event at Taverham.



A STEP BACK IN TIME

Year 4 enjoyed a visit from a Roman character who taught them some fascinating history.



FLYING VISIT

Pilot, a working cocker Spaniel, visited Nursery children during their 'family and pets' themed week for a lovely interactive session.



CHILDREN IN NEED

Our Pre-Prep and Prep School raised money for Children in Need thanks to a very successful cake sale. Activities also included themed arts and crafts in Nursery.



COMPUTING AT TAVERHAM

Congratulations to James C and Benjamin L (both Year 7), Henry R and Henry S (both Year 6), for their Gold certificates in the Junior category of the 2023 BEBRAS Computing Challenge. 46 of our pupils were also awarded Distinction and 42 pupils got Merit.



EMBRACING HISTORY

Year 3 pupils were treated to a fantastic collection of WWII relics thanks to Mr Evans, who came in to talk to the group about the history of the Second World War.



MANGAHIGH MATHS

Year 6 to 9 pupils have been competing in the national Mangahigh Maths Competition. Well done to gold winner Jace R (Year 7), silver winner Makaila S (Year 8), and bronze winner Isla-Mae P (Year 7).



COMPUTING AT LODDON

In the 2023 BEBRAS Computing Challenge, Gold Awards in the Junior Category went to Year 7 Senior School pupils Arthur C, Ava F and Leonardo P. Well done to all other certificate winners including the 32 pupils who got Distinction and 34 who got Merit.



CHAMPIONING GIRLS IN COMPUTING

Well done to Year 8 pupils Dasha D, Megan F, Grace H, Soraya S and Syna S for representing the school in the CyberFirst for Girls competition 2023; organised by the National Cyber Security Centre (GCHQ). We eagerly await the results to see if the Langley team progresses through to the next round.

MICHAELMAS SPORT

HERITAGE U15 NATIONAL RUGBY FESTIVAL

It was the biggest and best festival to date, with food and drink stalls and a fun festival atmosphere enjoyed by schools from all over the country. Congratulations go to overall winners Wellington College, who deservedly took home the trophy.



TAVERHAM

HOCKEY

The U13A girls qualified for the IAPS National finals. They are the Champions of Norfolk, won the U13 Langley Indoor Tournament, came runners up in the In2 Hockey East Regional Finals, and won the U13 OBH Tournament.



The U11 girls won the Culford U11 Hockey tournament and finished third overall in the In2 East Regionals, narrowly missing out on the IAPS Nationals.



CRICKET

Bella B was selected as the youngest player in Sunrisers EEP programme and she has also been selected in the Norfolk U15 squad. Two of our U13 boys, Theo C and George F, have been selected for the Norfolk Youth Cricket Emerging Players Programme. We have a number of other younger players in winter programs for Norfolk County squads, which will help them prepare for cricket in the summer term.

FOOTBALL

The U11 boys competed in the U11 ISFA tournament at the Perse in Cambridge and played in the U11 EFL Cup at The Nest in Horsford. The U11 Girls attended their first football tournament and finished 4th out of 16 teams, which was an amazing achievement considering many had never played football before.

Our Year 3 and Year 4 boys attended a 4v4 festival at the Lotus training centre, and a number of pupils are part of the Norwich development pathways, so the future looks bright for football at Langley Prep.



RUGBY

Our U9s attended the St Joseph's festival in Ipswich and won the award for sporting values. Our U12s and U13s have made great progress and, despite often playing sides with much bigger squads, have really challenged themselves and improved as a team and as individuals. It was great to see our Year 8 Sports Leaders share their passion for rugby with local primary school pupils in a TAG festival where they coached and refereed a number of activities and matches.



NETBALL

Our U14 and U16 girls represented the school at the Netball Area Championships with the U19 girls going straight to the County Finals. All teams competed well in their pools, finishing mid-table.



RUGBY

It has been a busy rugby term culminating with a succession of County Final appearances. Our U14s and U15s finished 3rd overall, and our U16s and U18s finished as runners-up in plate competitions. Our U18s and U15s had promising cup runs cut short by some key injuries and strong oppositions.



HOCKEY

Our U14 and U16 girls reached the Regional Finals of the T3 Hockey. Both teams went through to the finals, representing Norfolk as the first place team. On both occasions the girls competed well against tough oppositions and finished fourth and third respectively in their groups. At U12 and U13 level, every girl in Year 6 to 8 has represented the school in at least two hockey matches this term; an incredible effort, especially given half of them had never picked up a stick before September.



FOOTBALL

The U12 boys reached round 2 of the County Cup, while the U13s made it in to the quarter finals of the ISFA Bowl, and the U18s got to semi finals for the County Cup. Our U15 girls also got to the ISFA quarter finals, while the U16 girls reached round 3 of the County Cup.



SPORTS MASTERCLASS

Year 7 and 8 Prep pupils journeyed from Taverham to Loddon to experience the Senior School gym, meet the Langley Football Academy team and take part in an exciting Sports Masterclass.



COUNTY GYMNASTICS CHAMPION
Congratulations to Sophie B (Year 3) on becoming the youngest County Gymnastics Champion, having won three gold medals, a silver medal and a trophy for overall County Champion.

MICHAELMAS THE ARTS



HOUSE MUSIC FESTIVAL

Loddon was aloft with music – from individual, to ensemble, to House performances – for a fabulous festival. Well done to all the winners, including St Giles who took home the main trophy.





LANGLEY'S GOT TALENT

In November, Prep pupils took to the stage for a variety performance that included comedy, gymnastics, magic, dance and music. It is a pupil-led event where children prepared and rehearsed their acts independently in their own time and then presented to judges Mr Outwin-Flinders, Head of Prep, and Mrs Hart, Senior School Head of Drama. Well done to Robert and James C, the overall winners; Logan G, the 'most surprising' category winner, and Betsy J, the 'outstanding effort' winner.





PREP SOIREE

Pupils from the Prep showcased some super musical talent in the first soiree of the year.



CREATIVE FUTURES

A group of Sixth Form Artists and Photographers saw a huge number of stands at a UCAS event where art schools, from all over the country, engaged students in their offers.



BLACK HISTORY DAY WORKSHOPS

Year 8 Art pupils at Loddon studied the work of Tinga Tinga and how it became a painting genre in its own right. The pupils all went onto create their own versions of Tinga Tinga.

FOUNDATION COURSE TASTER

Sixth Form students had the opportunity to experience a Foundation Level (a pre-degree diagnostic course) workshop and a look around the Foundation offering from NCC. A really fast-paced silk screen printing activity kept everyone on their toes.



PREP ART

It's been a busy term in our Prep School Art department.



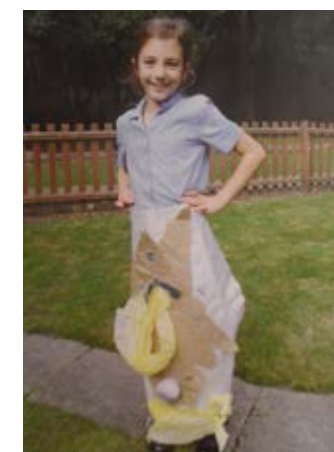
Well done to the Prep Head's Photography Competition winners Sara G (Year 6) and Benjamin A (Year 5).

Congratulations to Recycled Fashion Competition winners Abby M (Year 6) and Betsy J (Year 3).



CHOIR GOES ON TOUR

Our Senior School Choir visited Care Homes to spread some festive cheer at the end of term.



Year 3s show off their dinosaur artwork, while Year 5 proudly display their insect art.



The Fireworks House Art competition winners were Tabby B (Year 6), Jack E (Year 3) and Verona P (Year 3).



PUPPET WORKSHOPS

Guided by a visitor from the Norwich Puppet Theatre, Year 1 and 2 pupils made puppets and performed in front of their peers for a fun-filled experience.



SENIOR SOIREE

Pupils at Loddon took part in a music and drama soiree, impressing the audience with some top performances.



Here is Freya D, showing of a test tile that Year 7s made for their ceramic building project.



Year 4 made great gargoyle sculptures from clay.



Shin-Ji J and his Year 5 peers have been making bugs using mixed media textiles.



THE INN-SPECTORS

The Year 3 Christmas Play was a huge success and the pupils did themselves proud on stage in front of a live audience, who all loved the performance.



MICHAELMAS TRIPS

CASTLE ACRE

This term, Year 5 pupils travelled to Castle Acre as part of their Geography 'settlement' topic.



NORWICH CASTLE

Year 4 pupils learnt about the Romans, and even acted out some battles, at Norwich Castle.



ROARR!

Reception pupils had a fantastic trip to Roarr, the dinosaur park.



YORKSHIRE

A Level Geography students studied rivers, beach morphology and coastal processes at Flamborough Head and visited art murals in Scarborough.



AFRICA ALIVE

Year 6 and 7 pupils visited Africa Alive as part of their Science studies, learning all about animals.



CCF CAMP

Cadets went to Beckingham, Lincolnshire for a three-day CCF camp.

GRESSENHALL

Dressed up as evacuees, Year 3 had a WWII themed trip to Gressenhall.



TATE MODERN

At the Tate Modern, Sixth Formers saw the Philip Guston Retrospective and A World in Common photographic exhibitions. Students also had the opportunity to work from the permanent collection.

ROBERTSON BARRACKS

Upper Sixth Prefects visited the Queen's Dragoon Guards as guests of ex Head Boy Major Tim Graham, enjoying team building exercises and time in the Officers' Mess.



GOLD EXPEDITION

For their Gold Duke of Edinburgh, 10 pupils rowed 84.6 miles in 3 days on the rivers Bure, Throne and Ant, including rowing through storm Babet! Overall for Duke of Edinburgh, this term there have been 18 awards completed, 6 silver and 12 bronze.



THEATRE TRIP

Following on from their topic 'Into the woods,' Transition children had a wonderful trip to see the Julia Donaldson classic, 'The Gruffalo's Child' at the Norwich Playhouse.

SPAIN

Year 7 and 8 Prep pupils experienced Malaga, Torremolinos and Seville during their Spanish trip.



SKI SLOPES

Year 9 and 10 cadets in the Royal Navy section of the CCF took to the slopes at Whitlingham in Norwich.



HOUGHTON HALL

Year 10 visited the Sean Scully exhibition and enjoyed the sculpture park, discussing sculpture in the landscape.



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MICHAELMAS ALUMNI

ADVENTURE AND EXPLORATION

Langley hosted a panel of three Icenians, all world record holders, for an 'Adventure & Exploration' talk about ocean rowing. It was a fascinating lecture by Luca, Ian and Julian, who are all Langley alumni.



DR ANDREW BRIGGS

Consultant Psychotherapist, Dr Andrew Briggs, lectured at Loddon about mental health, emotional wellbeing and adolescence.



LANGLEY BUSINESS LUNCHES



WORKING IN THE POLICE

Year 11 to Upper Sixth were joined by Jack Freeman of the Riot Police division for an Icenian Lunch to hear all about working in the Police.

SURVEYOR GUEST SPEAKER

Jack Butcher returned to Loddon, having left Langley in 2017, to talk about his career as a Valuer and Surveyor.



FOOD TECHNOLOGIST

Thank you to New Product Development Food Technologist, Elaine Henderson, who came back to talk to pupils about her career.



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