

Chauncy Citizenship in the Community Partners:

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Chauncy Citizenship in the Community Day 2012

Chauncy celebrated a magnificent 7th Community Day on Friday 13th July, when over 700 Chauncy students and 100 staff were sent out to work with local primary schools, village halls, and other community partners in Ware and its surrounding villages.

Chauncy School worked with over 1000 primary school pupils on a variety of activities including running a 2012 Olympic themed PE day for five primary schools, partnership projects in art, dance, ICT, science, photography and modern languages, a drama workshop and design and technology day where students created and raced their own kit cars. We also ran a primary school version of 'The Apprentice' where primary pupils were put into teams and had to design, create and market their own cookies, which were sold to teachers around the school. Chauncy students ran these exciting sessions, where learning and fun were the main aims of the day.

Our Year Seven students took part in a carousel of community based activities that included working with Hertfordshire Police, St. John's Ambulance, Road Safety Awareness and clearing and recycling litter on an environmental walk through Ware. They also staged their own sponsored walk to raise money for the British Virgin Islands Olympic Team, who Chauncy are supporting at the London 2012 games. We also ran a Strawberry Tea Party for Age Concern Ware, where the over 60s club were treated to homemade cakes and biscuits, Irish Dancing and a number of musical performances.

Older students were transported in a fleet of seven minibuses to engage in a range of diverse projects including literacy and numeracy classes, music workshops, digging vegetable patches and painting garden furniture and murals for the town and village primary schools. Groundwork and decorating projects were carried out at organisations including Wareside, and Thundridge Village Halls, Ware Priory and St. Mary's Church.

Our Year Eight students spent the day packing shoppers' bags at Tesco Hertford to raise funds for the Hertfordshire Air Ambulance. The team had a busy day and managed to raise over £400.00.

In all we ran 82 projects on the day which involved over 2000 people. There were many highlights, plenty of tired but happy students at 3.35pm on Friday and we even managed to avoid the rain!

We are already looking forward to Community Day 2013 and if you have any suggestions as to how we could help you or your organisation please contact Steve Walton (Deputy Headteacher) at the school.

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The Chauncy Ambassadors Front of House Team

The day flew by with crocodiles of primary pupils being guided on and off the buses and round school. Many thanks to our school ambassadors who made sure the classes got to the right place, came in out of the rain and found their way to the toilets! They even found time to serve a welcomed cup of coffee to the visiting staff. The happy faces and cheery waves as all the visitors left said it all - another successful Community Day had come to an end.
Diane Carey and Belinda Martin

Year Seven Community Carousel

Our Year Seven students enjoyed a very diverse day with a number of activities in and around school. Students participated in a workshop on Community Safety led by PCSOs from Hertfordshire Police where they learned how to keep themselves and their property safe. Nicky Townsend from St. John's Ambulance gave First Aid demonstrations throughout the day and students completed several Environmental Challenges where students walked several routes around the town collecting litter and various pieces of debris that included car bumpers and broken bikes. Students then participated in a sponsored walk to assist the British Virgin Isles Olympic Team, who Chauncy are supporting through the London 2012 games.

Age Concern Over 60s Strawberry Tea

Chauncy welcomed 35 guests from the Ware Age Concern Over 60s club during the afternoon. In the morning our Year Nine students created a fabulous Strawberry Tea and served refreshments throughout the afternoon. Entertainment was provided by Mrs Paris and Mrs Hornblower and their dance classes, whilst Mrs Meyer and Ms Hall organised a showcase of musical talent. The afternoon concluded with a game of prize bingo!

Elissa Jones, Angela Meyer, Samantha Hall and Chelsea Paris

Air Ambulance Bag Packing

15 students supported by 2 staff packed busy shoppers' bags at Tesco Hertford on Friday and the donations went toward the Hertfordshire Air Ambulance appeal. The team raised over £487 on a very busy day at the newly refurbished Hertford store.

Karen Gray and Scarlett O'Sullivan

Thundridge Village Hall Tidy Up Project

A small but hard-working band of Year Nine students descended upon Thundridge tasked with some good old-fashioned manual work requirements in aid of the local village hall. Over the course of 5 or so hours the students helped re-organise the hall's storage facilities, as well as getting stuck into general repairs of the building's outside. With our hosts declaring themselves very satisfied with the final result, including Mr Symons' haphazard attempts at painting, the team could go home well pleased as to the fruits of their labour.

Robert Symons

St. Catherine's School Mural Painting

As part of their BTEC Art course our Year Twelve students visited our next door neighbours to spend a day working on an impressive wall design based on Alice in Wonderland.

Kate Parsons

Wareside Village Hall

Our Year Ten students visited Wareside Village Hall for a day of landscape gardening involving cutting back brambles, lopping branches from the overhanging laurel tree, weeding and tidying up.

Martin Lear

The Apprentice—Junior Enterprise Competition

Our Year Nine Students set up an activity based on the Alan Sugar TV series where Thundridge students were put into groups and were given the task of designing, baking and selling cookies. The children worked hard throughout the day and created fantastic looking delicious biscuits which they then sold to Chauncy staff and visitors on the day as part of their Enterprise challenge. Fortunately no one was 'Fired!' and we raised further funds for our Air Ambulance Appeal.

Tim Newton and Ben Phipps

Apsley Paper Mill Trip

As a reward for our Paper Recycling endeavours throughout the year, 7P visited Apsley Paper Mill to see how paper is created and recycled. There was an equal mixture of great delight and turned up noses when paper made from elephant poo was given to pass around. When passed paper made from hallowed Wembley grass there was a look of round eyed wonder on the faces of many of the boys. Many tried to identify which piece of centre court Wimbledon grass in their piece of paper Nadal might have trodden on. Interestingly a number of children didn't know what braille was. By the end of the day all children had learned what it is and had the opportunity to create their own names, appreciating how blind people are able to read and write.

Teresa Harris, Pat Clegg and Teresa Pearson

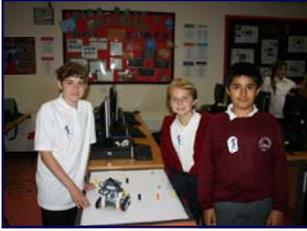




Dance Activities at Chauncy

Year Ten Dance Leaders delivered a variety of Dance workshops on Community Day as part of their assessment for their Dance Leaders Award Certificate. This involved a huge amount of preparation time, organising and planning of the sessions. The Chauncy students were outstanding with the groups of younger children, managing their groups with professionalism, and fun. The students created their own warm ups and routines based on a variety of themes. The junior school students enjoyed the workshops and our students were exemplary role models. Our Year Eight students led an Irish dancing workshop for junior school students and performed at the Age Concern Strawberry Tea later in the day.

Sheryl Hornblower and Chelsea Paris



Mini-Olympics

Over 50 Year Ten students led a variety of sporting activities as part of their Junior Sports Leader assessment. Activities included Rounders, Assault Course, Orienteering, Trampolining and Penalty Shoot Out. Our students were teaching junior pupils from Reception to Year Six from St. Catherine's, Sacred Heart, Tower and Hunsdon schools. In addition we sent out two teams of Junior Sports Leaders to Tower School, Prior's Wood and St. Catherine's to run Junior Sports Activities and help with Sports Days.

Marissa Goodwin, Fabian Smith, Hayley Green, Helen Easter, Pablo Ardiles and Lindsey Shearn



Kit Car Project

Chauncy welcomed over 100 pupils from St. Catherine's and Wareside primary school to work on an extravagant project that incorporated designing a model car, assembling the components, testing the design and finally racing the cars on specially constructed circuits around the school. The students were highly creative and manufactured some excellent cars.

Craig Burnett, Gavin Lovell, Danny Stevenson and Andrew Bowen



Middleton Swimming Gala

We ran a swimming gala for Middleton School at Fanshawe Pool. Chauncy students helped guide the children through their races. They had to assist them getting in and out of the water and make sure they all knew what they were doing. The students were fantastic they cheered the children on and really looked after them.

Claire and Jenny Matthews



English and Drama Workshops

Year Ten students visited Prior's Wood School and Puller Memorial visited Chauncy for a Drama and English workshop based on the Olympics. 'The Primary students were so much fun to work with!' Kerri Felstead 'There was a really positive atmosphere during the Workshop - everyone was being creative and absorbed in their task.' Megan Blacker

Michelle Ferris, Holly Conroy and Karolyn Feliciani



Science, ICT and Art Carousels

Chauncy welcomed St. Catherine's, Christ Church, Tower and St. Mary's pupils for a day of multi-activities. Students were taught Science, ICT and Dance in a day of fun activities. Michele O' Hanlon stated, 'It was lovely to see my Year Ten Students engaging with the Year Three pupils. I was very proud of how they helped them to build K'Nex models and also of how well they interacted with them during breaks'.

Michele O'Hanlon, Owen Hawkridge, Lisa Garratt and Hannah Courtney



Highfield Nursing Home

A group of year 10 girls visited the Highfield nursing home. They enjoyed talking to the elderly, finding out about their past, especially Bertha who was 104 years old. The girls enjoyed entertaining them with bingo, cards, scrabble, manicures and hand massages.

Sonali Ruparelia and Anna Herbut



Ware Priory

A team of Year Nine students visited the Priory to complete a series of tasks in preparation for Summer Activities at the Ware Venue. Students weeded the flower beds in the grounds, swept and cleaned the paving and painted an outdoor stage in readiness for Rock in the Priory.

Jane Brown and Kathy Lowe



Art Workshop at Wareside School

The Olympics theme drove the activities at Wareside during Friday's Community Day; decorative flags for imaginary countries, chunky medals, hand print flamed torches and patterned leaf head wreaths. Pupils at Wareside were excited and inspired by the one to one attention provided by the older Chauncy pupils and created exciting and imaginative art work as a result.

Lisa Sinfield and Luke MacDonald

Wareside Numeracy Fun

Our pupils were incredible, really kind and great teachers. The children loved it, all thanks to our Year Nine's. In the afternoon, we were asked to help out with some gardening, and even though we weren't prepared for it, the Chauncy students got stuck in, with Zoe Rose showing a particular enthusiasm for attacking the weeds and won our green fingers award! We were very proud of our helpers, representing Chauncy brilliantly.

Rebecca Fanger

Year Seven Environmental Walk

Once again, Chauncy students reclaimed the streets of Ware in our widely extolled annual Environmental Recycling Walk around several routes emanating from the school. Jean Thompson from Coronation Road, Ware stated "...it's such a good thing you are all doing. Are you planning to do Coronation Road at any point?"

Ware is clean. Let's keep it that way!

Ian Rooke

Gardening at St. Mary's Church

Ms Lowe, Mrs Howe and Mrs Franklin took a group of Year Nine students to the Priory and St Mary's Church for a clean up. There was a lot of weeding and sorting out to do and the students were keen to get stuck in. By the time we had finished, both sites were unrecognisable. The Chauncy students did a great job and impressed the Ware council staff who wanted to offer them full time jobs!

Samantha Franklin

Modern Languages

Some of our Year Nine language students spent the day creating fabulous canvas artwork that will be used as a visual teaching resource in and around the Modern Languages area of the school. Our Spanish students also taught a carousel of primary school classes throughout the day, our German students visited St. Mary's School to deliver lessons and, introducing them to German with fun games and activities and we had an Introduction to Japanese workshop run by our Japanese Club members. Susie Ephgrave commented, "Community day saw members of the Chauncy Japanese club sharing their love of the subject by teaching Year 4 students from St Catherines, Thundridge and Hunsdon. The children learned Japanese numbers and colours through games before trying their hand at origami - the hopping frogs proved very popular! There was also an opportunity to try on traditional clothing. All involved had a great time and the Japanese club were a real credit to the school."

Vicky Griffiths, Cath Warren, Emma Drummond, Susie Ephgrave and Ros McFiggans

Let's Get Cooking

Twenty Year Five pupils from St Catherines School came to Chauncy to prepare a picnic lunch with 15 of our Year Eight students bright and early on Friday morning. Mrs Cotterell, Mrs Fuggles and Mrs O'Neill thought that they were completely prepared purchasing the food and setting up in the early hours of Friday. However the event was almost a complete disaster as one of the recipes was fruit kebabs, Whoops! no skewers, Suddenly my knight in shining armour appeared in the shape of Brandon Wing, 'don't worry Miss, I'll make some' he said as he trotted off to the wood tech room, 5 minutes later Brandon appeared with 40 nicely sharpened pieces of dowel! Perfect.

Julie Cotterell, Beverly Fuggles, Linda O'Neill, Hannah Courtney and Chris Fredericks.

My class of Year 4/5/6 from Puller Memorial spent the day at Chauncy on Friday and had a great time. Many thanks for organising the day and please pass on our thanks to the teachers who took the Drama and ICT sessions the children took part in. I bet you are looking forward to your summer holidays! Regards— Janet Andrews (Puller Memorial).

Just a note to congratulate the team who came to St Mary's church today. They did a fine job in the churchyard, weeding, collecting litter etc. all with good humour and enthusiasm. The weather was kind so they achieved a lot. Many thanks again—Kathleen Kirby (St. Mary's Churchwarden).

Just a quick note to thank you for today. The children had a great time and really enjoyed the opportunity to try something new!! Brilliantly organised as per usual ! Well done and thank you again Regards—Jo McGregor (Headteacher, Hunsdon School).

Just a quick note to say thank you to the staff and students who came to Ware Priory today. They worked really hard and were a credit to the school. Our grounds staff Matt and Gary have asked me to pass on their thanks to them as well. Kind regards— Jill Rowlinson, (Town Clerk).

I just wanted to say 'thank you' for your excellent teaching last Friday! Our classes had fun and so did we! Your Chauncy pupils were great and a real inspiration to our children.—Claire Thorne (St. Mary's School).



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