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Exclusive Interview With Our New Head Boy and Head Girl

We talked to Nick Try and Imogen Cuckson about what they have to bring to the sixth form next year.
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Big Fun

A big end to a fun year.

On Tuesday night, the sixth form rented out Big Fun in Hull, as an end of year celebration. Around 80 people bought tickets, with the proceeds going towards reducing the cost of our year 13 prom.

The night was a huge success and everybody had a fantastic night,

despite quite a few friction burns and bruises.

We'd like to thank Nick Try, Imogen Cuckson and of course everyone else in the Student Leadership Team for organising the event, and we're sure there will be many more like it next year.

For those who couldn't attend, we hope

you will be able to next time, as Nick Try has said he would like to organise another trip to Big Fun perhaps next year.

The next sixth form event will likely be the 'Icebreaker' party for the new year 12s and year 13s. This will be in the autumn term.

Thank you to everyone who came along.

Head Boy and Head Girl Interview.

You voted for them. This is what they had to say.

First of all, congratulations on your being elected. I'm sure you'll both bring great things to the sixth form.

Nick, you said in your speech that you feel a big part of your role is charity work. Have you got any initial ideas for fundraising events for next year?

NT: Yes, like I said in my speech, we're going to organise a charity pub crawl.

How will that work though, because not everyone will be 18?

NT: We're going to do it in November when there'll be quite a few who have turned 18, and those who aren't don't have to drink. We're also going to have another one in the summer term when a few more people have turned 18, so those who didn't have the opportunity before will get the chance to come along.

Imogen, as head girl it is important to hear everyone in the sixth form's views equally. How do you intend to hear everyone's questions and ideas?

IC: We'll I'm hoping people see me as an approachable person, people can always come up to me and talk to me. Also next year, with the extra hour between periods 1 and 3 we're hoping to once a week have little meetings, where we inform the rest of the year about what we've got, and give them the chance to give feedback and tell us their ideas.

I see, so like a little assembly?

IC: Yeah, and then we've got the Student Leadership Team where everyone has the chance to voice their opinions.

Are there any priorities that either of you feel need to be addressed first, such as charity events, improving the school sites, fundraising for prom?

IC: The girls' toilets at Grammar.

I thought you might say that. What do you intend to do?

IC: We need a constant supply of toilet paper, a constant supply of soap, and the four toilets need to flush more than twice a day!

How are you going to achieve this though?

NT: We plan to schedule a meeting with the caretakers, and try to reach a solution, as well as with the cleaners.

And do you have this meeting scheduled or do you plan to arrange it soon?

NT: We plan to schedule it in the near future.

Any other things you feel need to be addressed first?

NT: Lots of people have mentioned how our year 12 and year 13 were not very integrated. That was kind of the big word from the speeches, and taking on board what the year group has said, I think that's something we need to address with the new year 12s starting in September, which is why we're organising the 'Icebreaker' party.

So is this 'Icebreaker' party going to be near to Christmas, like the party last year?

NT: Yeah, hopefully not at the same venue but something like that. Hopefully it will be in October.

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Ah so maybe like a Halloween themed party or something? Fancy dress?

NT: Yeah that's good actually.

There you go, the interviewer bringing ideas to the table.

NT: Haha yeah. We also went down to the year 12 induction days and were talking to everybody about ideas to bring cohesion to the sixth form next year. I've also been getting Facebook requests from year 12s so there you go.

IC: I also think its important to be involved with the rest of the schools, so Nick and Tom will be going to the Student Voice meetings at Grammar and Lottie and myself will be going to the meetings at High.

I understand we are having 3-hour periods we're having next year. Can you tell us anything about what's happening with them?

IC: It has already been timetabled so it isn't going to be changed, but I think its quite a positive thing because it gives us time to do more activities as forms or as a year group. It also means we can have these meetings or assemblies maybe not weekly but at least fortnightly, so ourselves and the SLT can feedback to the year. Of course we will also have to use this time to do the work set by our teachers.

So basically it's a chance for the friend groups in the sixth form to mingle a bit and interact.

IC: Exactly.

Okay. We've kind of talked about this a bit already, but integrating next years' year 12s and our year is going to be difficult due to us being on different school sites but it's something you both said you'd work hard to do. What are your intentions?

NT: We've talked a lot about out of school

events like the 'Icebreaker' party or another Christmas party, although NOT at the same venue. Also, co-ordinating charity events will bring the two year groups together—Me, Tom, Imogen and Lottie are going to go to their Student Leadership Team meetings and share ideas. Also we've all got friends in the year below already so hopefully we won't be so divided.

I think it's important for the sixth form to know their head boy and girl on a personal level. You are both pretty friendly with most of the year anyway, but can you tell us a bit about what you like to do outside of the sixth form? Any hobbies or personal interests?

IC: Erm, shopping definitely takes up most of my free time. And I think its time well spent!

NT: Mainly just socialising with friends.

IC: And you like to make soup! You cook good soup.

NT: That's right. I make a darn good carrot and coriander soup! Ha but yeah, I spend most of my time just going out with friends.

Well thank you both for coming along and I'm confident you'll both do a great job.

IC: Thanks James.

NT: It was nice seeing you James, you're the best.

*Congratulations again to Nick Try,
Imogen Cuckson, Tom Wescott and
Lottie Traynor.*

Also, thank you to all the other candidates who ran.

Anyone with any ideas/input is welcomed to have a chat with any of the SLT.

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Beverley Grammar's Eco-Fair

For the first time, Beverley Grammar was host to an eco-fair. For those of you unlucky enough not to be able to make it there yourself, those who did had an enjoyable afternoon learning, spending and playing all in the name of the environment. The main marquee was filled with a host of stalls including highlights from the English department, featuring descriptive writing and poetry from the very talented Year 9 classes, a fantastic miniature hydro-electric generator, giving a useful insight into the world of eco-friendly engineering, and on that vein, Mr Geekie had even brought along a few small wind turbines (although perhaps they would have been better placed outside, like the other larger ones that were powering things). All those looking for a bit of well earned energy after all that learning and spending were well rewarded with a classic Hog Roast. Even people who just wanted a bit of fun were given plenty to do. The 'ready to build' solar powered car racing offered an exciting rest to the fair, even in the lacklustre sunshine. For an environmentally friendly fair, it was certainly 'buzzing' with energy.

Report by Ryan Chapman

Results Day

Results Day is August 19th. All results will be available to pick up from the Beverley Grammar School common room from 10.00am onwards, as the year 13's results are being given out at 9.00am. If you are on holiday at this time or unable to attend, please supply the school with a pre-stamped, A4 enveloped addressed to

your home. You will not be able to collect others' results on their behalf.

We hope this will be an enjoyable day for all with as little disappointment as possible.

Good luck, and we will see you again after a hard-earned summer break.

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