# The Sheldonian

### CAMPFIRE BURNS BRIGHT FOR CLASS

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By Amelie and Millie

On the 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> of September the left side of Year 7 set off for camp, the right side left on the 20<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup>. The left side had the important duty of putting up the tents and the right side the vital task of taking them down. One of the activities we had was orienteering, which was completed in record time by 7HCP. So, they had a lot more time on the climbing wall. Next was the assault course, group juggling and gutter ball. It was impossible not to get muddy on the challenging but great assault course! The group juggling was incredibly hard but also funny, I'm not sure if anyone succeeded but we all gave it a go! The gutter ball was led by the prefects, and you had to get a ping pong ball from one side to the other.

The campfire was something to remember because Miss Dundas had a brilliant idea to perform a rap for us! Which I'm sure we'll all remember! We had some brilliant performances for the talent show such as the memorable 'Hermit the Worm' and 'lovely' hot chocolate. Sleeping was interesting.

After a restless night, many of us did not spend as much time asleep as awake. Which none of us brought sweets for, definitely not! We woke up to a brilliant morning with a touch or more rain and after a truly filling breakfast we headed off to our first activity. Day 2 turned out to be just if not more eventful than day one.

Rifle shooting or archery, that is the question. We were split into two for these activities either doing rifle shooting or archery. The archery was very fun and taught us to be like Robin Hood! However, the rifle shooting was teaching us to be like one of the best. Another activity was the wonderful walk that all the adults organised for us it took us past the Blackhorse Inn and past the wonderful small cottages that lined the streets. We went up a gorgeous hill that gave us an impeccable view of the beautiful countryside on the way back we were chattering non-stop.

Team building is final, and the task was to get from one side of the field to the other using an assortment of useless objects that would otherwise be thrown away. Next, we had a truly challenging game if you did not know your left from your right. We had either foot on a plank of wood for team skis and the leader was in charge with the left and right foot movement. This did not however go so well for those that still needed hands for left and rights.

Overall camp was a brilliant experience for us, and we will all remember it forever!



### INTERVIEW WITH OUR NEW HEADTEACHER

#### By Callie and Ezme

We caught up with Mr Lynch to find out his visions for the school and where he would like us to be in five years!

## Good afternoon Mr Lynch. What is your vision for Sheldon School?

I want Sheldon to be a school where students can learn and teachers can teach. I want lessons to be a calm environment where everyone can be the best they can be. I think ensuring students with Special Educational Needs are getting everything they need and any barriers to learning are removed.

Next term, we are starting to make further changes. Homework will all be recorded on EPraise so that everyone can keep on top of it and continue embedding their learning effectively.

We have also invested a lot of money in new sports equipment to be used at break and lunch time. We want Sheldon to be a place where everyone enjoys spending time.

#### Why did you change the school motto?



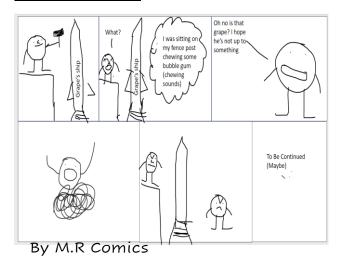
Our motto was partially influenced by the school I used to work in, who had a similar belief system. The leadership team from Sheldon had an away day where they discussed what we want our school and our students to be.

# Where would you like the school to be in five years?

I want Sheldon to be at least 1% better each year. We should always be striving to move forward. I want the school to be bully free and I want everyone to be kind, be brave, and be able to be the best version of themselves. Sheldon is my family and I want us to all work together as one.

Thank you to Mr Lynch for taking the time to speak to us.

### COMIC CORNER



Fancy joining us? We meet 3-4 on Thursday in E8. Come along!