



FOCUS ON YEARS 8 AND 9— SUMMER 2009



KEY DATES

Friday 17th Jul

Break up for
Summer

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Tuesday 2nd Sept

Students return to
school

Student Enrichment

This has been the first year we have offered Enrichment activities to students on the last Wednesday of each half term and it has been a great success. Students have been able to try out a wide variety of activities from Armed forces climbing wall, making USB torches, fibre optic Christmas trees, building giant structures plus sporting activities and art and crafts. This has been compulsory for the Year 7 students and has allowed them to take part in activities they have never done before. Here are a few pictures so you can see just how creative some of our students are.



Moving on Up!

The early transition for all students to their new year group has been a great success. At the start of this final half-term, Years 7 and 8 moved up to Years 8 and 9 respectively, and started on new timetables.

For the new Year 9 students, GCSE options for Design & Technology were also completed early for the second year running. This was very successful last year and students engaged well with their GCSE courses.

Cross Curricular Days at The Radclyffe School

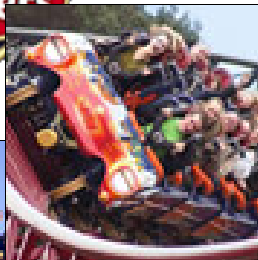
We have introduced into our school calendar Cross curricular days this year which have been aimed at our Year 7 students but will eventually be built in each year for all students at The Radclyffe School. We have held them once each term and have covered "Culture & Identity" "Healthy Lifestyles" and "Community Participation". These days have seen the students come off their normal timetabled lessons and given them the opportunity to work with other students on projects and workshops, developing their understanding and attitudes towards themselves and others. We will continue to introduce new topics as they progress through KS3 and are looking forward to exploring "Technology & the Media" in the Autumn term.





ALTON TOWERS

The end of term trip came early this year! As Year groups had moved up already, it was agreed that it would also work well having the rewards trip early. Students who had very good attendance and no negative events on their event's log were asked if they would like to go. The trip was a great success and was enjoyed by all!



Out & About!

Students from both year groups have enjoyed a variety of educational and enrichment trips throughout the year.

The new Year 8 students have enjoyed the Science & Industry Museum, Skipton Castle and Chadderton Park. Whilst both year groups also enjoyed the Chill Factor and a residential trip to Barcelona.



It is not your aptitude, but your attitude, that determines your altitude.



School Council



The Whole School Council met recently to discuss what had gone well over the year and also what could have been better. Students have some excellent ideas for the new year and we look forward to working with them.

And finally we wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer break! May the sun shine wherever you spend your summer!

