

TVA'S SUCCESS IN 2013 RESULTS

EXCLUSIVE: ANOTHER YEAR OF GCSE HAPPINESS FOR TOP VALLEY ACADEMY

Top Valley Academy is celebrating its second-best results this year, following the great leap forward of 2012. There were multiple success stories including many who achieved above and beyond their targets. We caught up with a few excited pupils on results day to hear how they had done.



Abigail Seddon, 16

Hardworking Abigail Seddon, reaped the rewards of her efforts on results day, when she was awarded **2 A*s, 8 As and 2Bs**.

"I am so pleased with how I got on in all of my subjects. The exams were difficult but when you put a lot of effort in it is good that you can get the rewards for that."

Abigail has chosen to continue her education by studying for her A-Levels at Bilborough College.



Ross Pepper, 16

After transferring to TVA in Year 10 from Big Wood, Ross received additional tutoring to help him focus on the quality of his grades.

Ross leaves Top Valley Academy with **5 A*-C Grades** and has now chosen to study Aviation at Wellbeck College with the hope of joining the RAF.



Anna Orzechowska, 16

Despite English being her second language, Anna quickly settled in to the school and excelled in her results.

"I came here from Poland and started at the Academy in Year 9 when I didn't speak much English. I'm very excited with my results. I've worked hard and I'm glad that I now have my results."

Anna, who was awarded **4 A*s, 3 As and 2 Cs**, is now progressing to study A-levels in Physics, Maths, Geography and French at New College, Nottingham.



Reanne Kirk, 16

High-flyer Reanne Kirk was ecstatic this results day when she was awarded **1 A*, 7 As & 2 Bs**:

"It's a big relief to finally get the results. I've put in a lot of work on my exams and I'm pleased with how I got on."

Reanne has also chosen to gain further qualifications by studying A-levels at New College Nottingham in Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Maths.



YEAR 6 PUPILS SHOWCASE THEIR TALENTS

EXCLUSIVE ROUND-UP OF CURRICULUM DISCOVERY DAY 2013

180 Year 6 pupils from local primary schools were today given a glimpse into life at Top Valley Academy when they were invited to take part in Curriculum Discovery Day 2013. Each pupil took part in one of the 11 workshops available including Musical Theatre, Spanish and Motor Vehicle.

It was an action-packed, fun day for all involved and many decided to showcase their hard work at tonight's Open Evening. Here's a small sample of the day's events but keep an eye out on www.topvalleyacademy.org for more photographs and stories.

Mr Steer's Geography class got the chance to 'Step into the Jungle' when they were visited by Jackie from Zoolab UK and her collection of weird and wonderful rainforest animals.

As well as being taught all about the many creatures that live in the rainforest, the children also got the chance to handle 'Cocoa' the hissing cockroach and 'Rusty' the millipede.

They were even lucky enough to get a glimpse of Jackie's tarantula, corn snake and tree frog that she had brought along with her.

Jordan, aged 10, from Stanstead Primary said: "The cockroach was so wriggly and strange to hold. I've really enjoyed learning about the rainforest and all the different animals."



Those who chose to perform in the 'Musical Theatre' workshop worked closely together to create an exciting piece of drama and dance to 'We're all in this together' from the film 'High School Musical'.

The children spent the day learning their lines and vibrant costumes were provided by Miss Iles to get the children into character.

Mrs Norman, from Robin Hood Primary, said: "It's been so good to watch them perform, they really found themselves. First their feet started going, then their arms and then soon they were dancing away. I know they're looking forward to showing what they have learnt in the showcase tonight."

Mr Addis' History class were transported back to the Spanish Armada, when they were given the chance to act out the invasion in the school courtyard.

The group were split into Spanish ships and English army and began by carefully creating their own ship hats or flag to carry.

Once the flags were made, the teams were taken outside to re-enact the Spanish attack on a large map of England laid out by Mr Addis.

Katie, aged 10, from Rise Park said: "Learning about the Spanish Armada was easy because we got to act it out and see for ourselves how it happened."



WE HOPE EVERYONE ENJOYED THEIR TIME AT TOP VALLEY ACADEMY,

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