

THE HANGAR TIMES



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THE VOICE OF
THE MILITARY



COME SEE US...

IN THE HANGAR

Do you have a parent or carer who is in the Armed Forces? Or is your best friend a military student?

Then please pop down to the Hangar, located in the English block, opposite A24 (Miss Smiths room) on a Thursday lunchtime to eat your lunch on a comfy bean bag, play a game or chat with others who are in a similar position to you. There's even a football table where it can get very competitive!

The Hangar can also be opened if you need to do homework in a safe, quiet environment or need somewhere to chat to someone and you need 5 minutes peace!

Mrs Owen, Mrs Carter, Mr Bonner and Mrs Sollars are always around if you need someone to talk to, or need support when a loved one is away.



Come and meet students from all year groups



THE BIG INTERVIEW

Meet the Parent

How was military support on offer based compared to this base and the support?

" We haven't been here long but from the base we haven't seen a lot of support but the school yes we have seen support."

What have you been impressed with regarding forces support at our school?

"School support so far for military has been good especially the hangar club. I didn't think my son would go but he did and proud he's going and meeting other Dandelions. I haven't needed extra support yet from the school with regards to my husband being away as he hasn't done a long tour yet but hoping it will be supportive as that's what I've seen so far. I like a school to be personal and so far, it has been lovely. We are all human and no robots."

What is special about being in the RAF for you and your family?

" Well you have good and bad experiences but the good top off the bad.... for example,...

- * I got to meet Kate and Will and went to their Christmas party and the Palace for free.
- * My son got to go on a trip for free paid by the RAF for 4 days.
- * My little girl had movie nights at school with pizza and popcorn.
- * Get to go to beautiful princess balls and eat lots and lots of food and also a few grape juices.
- * Opportunities to live abroad and experiences other places in the UK "

Any other comments you would like to make?

"One main thing about my RAF family is that they are resilient and wherever they go they try their best and make friends and have a lot to deal with but always try. Sometimes it can take longer and few hurdles in the way but they plough through. It's special sometimes as you form bonds with families and make memories and then carry them on to the next camp and making different memories with different people is amazing and always learning from other people."

My children are Dandelions ...they just about grow and bloom anywhere their roots are planted.



Spot the difference – 7 to find

Why not create a piece of art based around the word 'dandelion' and hand to Mrs Owen – HP for all that enter.



What's happening this term?

Next Term is MOTMC and we have lots of exciting things happening for Service and non-service students loads happening, here is a snippet:

- First aid training for 50 students
- Meet the Military services, fire, police, nurses, doctors, chef – we hope to have the services 'landing' on our Quad, for a tour of service vehicles and a talk on careers and what life is like
- Visit from the Navy
- Hangar open to all with talks, team building and social support events, Lego STEM activities
- Assemblies at the primary schools
- Year 7 SPP off to watch the Falcons Launch
- JET days out

Military Google classroom code is...huokmpt





THE JET PROJECT

The Jon Egging Trust

The Jon Egging Trust was established in 2011, following the tragic death of Red Arrows Pilot Jon Egging at the Bournemouth Air Festival on 20th August 2011. The Trust was set up to realise Jon's dream of creating links with the RAF and a wide range of other inspiring environments to help young people develop their talents and be the best they can be.

The Blue Skies programme runs over 3 years and in the first year (Yr 8) the focus is on Teamwork, the second year (Yr 9) we look at Leadership and then in the third year (Yr 10) we look at Employability Skills. Each yearly programme consists of 10 sessions (run between late October and May the following year) with a range of activities held both at RAF Brize Norton and with a number of our corporate partners.

In consultation with the Heads of House, Carterton Community College have selected 15 students who we feel would benefit from the programme.

So far this year students have had some fantastic opportunities which have included, flying a C130 around Las Vegas (in a simulator), working as a keeper at the Cotswold Wildlife Park and teambuilding/leadership activities at the Space Centre down in Harwell.

MS FRIEDLI TALKS

THE JET PROJECT

"They all gain such a lot from all the different experiences they take part in. It gives them confidence in their abilities and opportunities to discover skills they didn't even know they had. It also teaches them the importance of working in a team and how much easier and more satisfying it is to do something, if you utilize all the ideas and skills of your teammates. Students who struggle in a classroom setting can really shine on Jon Egging days. They meet a whole range of wonderful professionals, who go out of their way to create activities and tasks that are interesting, and fulfilling, as well as being educational. They are fantastic role models. I have nothing but praise for the Jon Egging programme. I'm very happy and grateful to be part of it."

STUDENT VOICES

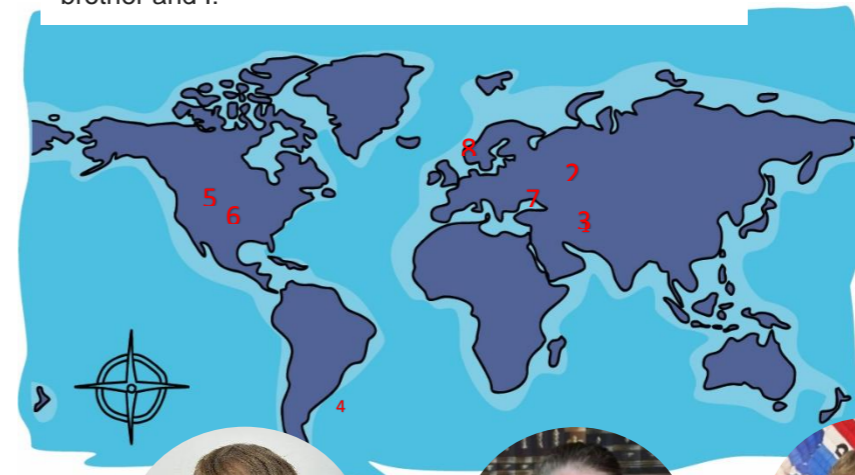
"Hello, My name is Alfie Crabb, I'm currently in Year 12 Studying for my A-levels. I have been part of a role associated with Service children within our school since November 2019. I have loved every moment of this journey, all the challenges and rewards in trying to emphasise the importance of increasing the opportunities for service children to have a voice. Over the last few years, myself, and Kieran Everett (another Service ambassador) have had so many great opportunities around Oxfordshire and other Countries nearby to promote a voice for service children. "

"Hi my name is Ciaran, Life as a child is hard, so to add to the life of a teenager your dad being away makes it more challenging. However, I find school really helps me a lot, especially the service club. Even though I don't go every week I know I am welcome any time I want to come. When I need it, I always know there are people who care. My dad is away at the moment and whenever I need some space alone, I have somewhere quiet and calm away from the hustle and bustle of school life. Sometimes the hangar is also just a reminder that I'm not unusual that lots of people here at ccc are like me and although I'm not young, it's okay to actually need time to reflect on your family being different, your dad serving his country and how it impacts my mum, my brother and I."



WHERE IN THE WORLD!

Can you plot 1 and 4?



- 1 OMAN
- 2 SYRIA
- 3 BAHRAIN
- 4 FALKLANDS
- 5 CALIFORNIA
- 6 ARIZONA
- 7 CYPRUS
- SHRIVENHAM



Harley Webb

Harley is a Year 10 Service Ambassador representing the student voice of Wyvern House.



Lottie Lamberts

Lottie is a Year 11 Service Ambassador representing those in Phoenix House.



Lottie Maloney

Lottie is a Year 11 student who represents the Service voice for Griffin.



Jack Clayton

Jack is a Year 10 Service student who represents the student voice for Pegasus.

This term we will be appointing Service Buddies in KS3 to be announced in the next edition. This Term Lottie and Lottie start their GCSE examinations and we wish them all the luck in the world!