



Polar Expedition

The Polar Academy team successfully finished a 10-day expedition in the Arctic. The team was made up of ten pupils from Broughton High School and *Fettes College*. The team explored ancient Inuit settlements, unexplored areas of sea ice and summited some spectacular peaks. [831](#)



Model Arctic Council

Norwich School hosted a Norwich Model Arctic Council, which is the only conference of its kind at secondary school. Pupils from schools across Norfolk, London and from as far afield as Bilbao, Spain, played the roles of diplomats to discuss and debate issues facing the Arctic. [813](#)

Ely Scheme Expeditions

King's Ely pupils enjoy a variety of expeditions as part of the Ely Scheme, which aims to build life skills that cannot always be taught in the classroom. Recent trips have included a Yorkshire Three Peaks Expedition and a trip to North Wales and the mountains of the Carneddau. [705](#)



Young Gardeners

With generous help from two local nurseries, *Bethany's* Gardening Club is now working alongside their Food & Nutrition Studies Department to create an edible garden. Head Francie Healy said, '...what better food to eat than locally sourced, responsibly grown and harvested produce.' [1130](#)



Best at public speaking

Oswestry School pupils Sebastian Banks, Adelina Creciun and Matthew Cooper have been judged to be the best young public speakers in the UK at the final of the Rotary Youth Speaks competition. Over 2,600 teams from around the country initially entered the competition. [1118](#)



Iceland visit

Bede's School Geography department embarked on a trip to Iceland. The pupils enjoyed a guided tour of Reykjavik and were able to walk between the North American and Eurasian plates. Highlights included visiting the iconic Gullfoss waterfall and a trip to the Westman Islands. [1081](#)



SW Chef of the Year

Samantha Taylor-Clarke, a pupil at *Stover School*, won the Devon Junior Chef category of South West Chef of the Year competition. Entrants were asked to submit their recipe for a main course dish to serve two people, and given one and a half hours to prepare and plate up their dish. [1034](#)



Ten Tors Top Ten

A team from *West Buckland School* finished in the top ten of this year's Ten Tors. Head of Outdoor Learning Richard Hathway said: 'Challenges such as Ten Tors and the Duke of Edinburgh scheme develop values and skills... that employers are looking for more and more...' [728](#)