## **HEADLINES**

### **Presentation Evening**

The Presentation Evening on the Thursday of the last half term was a superb occasion. There was a lot to celebrate with the school's GCSE and A level success. The evening went very well indeed with an inspiring speech from our guest speaker Louise Ward, a former student of Charles Darwin and daughter of Mervin Sharp, our long-standing Governor Trustee. Iain Turner, Vice Chair of Governors, gave the address on behalf of the Governing Body and we were delighted to have the company of the Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayoress of Bromley.

The evening was very positive and uplifting, made all the more so by the excellent musical items: "Maybe" from the upcoming school production of "Annie" sung by Hanna Blunt and "Define Gravity" from the musical Wicked sung by Lillie Squires. A good number of ex-Year 11 and ex-Year 13 students were attendance and judging from the conversation at the pre-evening reception many of the ex-Year 13 students had settled well into university life. It was also good to see so many families supporting the event and celebrating the students' achievements.

**Sunil Chotai** 

## YEAR 11 PARENTS' EVENING AND REPORT COLLECTION

Wednesday, 7 November 2018 3.15pm – 6.15 pm

This is an opportunity for pupils and their families to come and speak to staff about their progress.

Oz Schoolwear will be present

selling school uniform and PE kit.
Governors will be present and
refreshments will also be available
courtesy of the Friends.

## REMEMBRANCE BOOK

As part of our work to commemorate the centenary of the end of the First World War, a Book of Remembrance is going to be opened up at the school. This is for any member of our community to write the name of a relative that they know has been killed in any conflict since 1914. The book will rest in the school reception (8.15am-3.15pm) and any parent, pupil, governor or staff member is free to note the name of the person they wish to be remembered along with any other detail they might want to add.

The book will be available from Monday 5th November to Monday 12th November. If anyone is unable to get to the school but would like a name added, please e-mail Mr Lamb (dla@cdarwin.com) the details you would like to be written in the book.

#### **Amazon Smile**

The Friends of Charles Darwin School have subscribed to the Amazon Smile fund-raising scheme. Simply log in to www.smile.amazon.co.uk with your existing Amazon Account to sign up and select Friends of Charles Darwin School as your supported charity. In future do your

shopping at www.smile.amazon.co.uk and donations to our cause will be generated automatically.



Well done to Rebecca Hall and Faith Morris Year 10 whose homework



task was to create a model of the heat ray from War of the Worlds using descriptions from the novel. The girls created the landscape of Horsell Common complete with Martian cylinder crashed into the ground and the deadly heat ray which lit up and moved!

**Mrs Garner** 



### **Events, Fixtures and Educational Visits**

### Forthcoming events

#### **Autumn Term**

7 November 2018 — Year 7 Growth Mindset

7 November 2018 — Year 11 Parents' evening [1]

9 November 2018 — Launch of annual Dance Competition

**12 November** — Year 12 and 13 Chemistry in Action trip

12 to 18 November — Anti-bullying week

14 November 2018 — Year 9 Your Choice Your Voice

15 November 2018 — Sixth Form Open Evening

**16 November 2018** — Year 12 Photography trip to London

23 November 2018 — Year 9 and 10 Stand Against Violence

27 November 2018 — Year 12 and 13 Computer Science in Action trip

28 November 2018 — Year 12 and 13 Physics in Action trip

28 November 2018 — Year 12 and 13 Parents' Evening

5 December 2018 — Christmas Concert at St Mark's Church

6 to 9 December 2018 — Year 9/10 trip to German Christmas markets

10 to 16 December 2018 — Year 7 penny collection

14 December 2018 — Year 7 Christmas Fair

14 December 2018 — Christmas Jumper Charity Day

17 to 20 December 2018 — performances of the school production

#### **Spring Term**

11 January 2019 — Year 9 DTP/MENACWY vaccinations

16 January 2019 — Dance trip to see Matthew Bourne's Swan Lake

# Attend today: achieve tomorrow

Pupils need to be in school to realise their full potential so, as well as encouraging and recognising hard work, we also invest time and effort in promoting and rewarding individual attendance. Whilst we appreciate that the odd day of illness can be unavoidable, we rely on parents to ensure pupils attend school if they are just feeling a little under the weather.

- If your child is really not well enough to come to school, please remember: you must call the absence line [see number below] before 08:30 for each day of your child's absence.
- If you felt your child was well enough to come to school, we will support them to keep them in school and learning. Students should not call home to be collected if they are feeling unwell. If this happens, please call the school first and ask to speak to the Lead First Aider. Students should not be using their phones in school and are all aware that they need to see the Lead First Aider who will assess their situation and call home if required.
- Please ensure that we have up to date contact details for your child. If there is an emergency at school, medical or otherwise, we need to be able to contact you.
- No holidays should be taken during term time.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Paterson, Student Services Manager

### **Pupils for Praise**

Duty pupils of the week ending 02.11.2018

Emily Browning and Eleanor Benke 8JSt

Mrs Mills, Reception

#### **PARENTS EVENINGS 2018/19**

**Year 11**: 7 November 2018

**Year 12**: 28 November 2018

**Year 13**: 28 November 2018

**Year 11**: 24 January 2019 [2]

**Year 8**: 7 February 2019

Year 9: 6 March 2019

Year 12: 27 March 2019 [2]

Year 13: 27 March 2019 [2]

Year 10: 2 May 2019

Year 7: 8 May 2019





### **DARWIN LEISURE CENTRE**

Pay as you go (gym use) £5 per session

**Centre Member** (gym use & membership rates) £25 a year & £4.50 per session

GOLD Membership (unlimited gym use & membership rates) £25 a month

## A variety of private classes, facilities and pitch hire is available

Enquiries to 01959 540606 email: leisurecentre@cdarwin.com See school website www.cdarwin.com for full details

