



HEADLINES

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

As I mentioned in last week's Link, we are preparing for the new General Data Protection Regulations which come into force on 25th May. To ensure we are meeting the new requirements we need to re-seek parents' consent to take and use images of our pupils. We value being able to use these images, to showcase what pupils do in the school and they are often used in our prospectus or other printed publications. We may also make video or webcam recordings for other educational purposes such as for use in examination and assessment materials in certain subjects e.g. dance, drama, media and PE. A new consent form will be sent out to parents in due course.

Year 9 Football Cup Final

My congratulations to the Year 9 boys football team who thoroughly outplayed the opposition to win the Bromley Cup final on Monday in a very exciting match.

Sunil Chotai

For the full write up, see right.

Year 9 boys crowned Bromley district cup champions

On Monday 30 April the Year 9 boys travelled to Bromley Football Club to play Coopers School in the Bromley District Cup final.

"It was clear on the journey that the boys were a little anxious, but they were able to walk around the ground and the facilities to soak up the occasion and settle their nerves," said Mr Simpson, team coach.

The game had an edgy start with Coopers dominating possession and getting a few good chances under their belts. A long goal kick by Oliver Goodchild was picked up by Tom Leahy, after a mistake by the Coopers defence, who finished neatly to make it 1-0. This gave the boys a boost of confidence and 1-0 quickly became 4-0 with Jacob Brooks, Emmanuel Obeng-Boateng and Daniel Grace all getting on the score line. Coopers responded with a goal shortly afterwards but Tom Leahy restored the four goal cushion before half time to make the score 5-1 to Charles Darwin School. The half time message from coach, Mr Simpson was to keep playing hard and push for more goals.

The team took this advice to heart and kept playing hard during the second half with the game finishing 9-2. Jacob Brooks and Emmanuel Obeng-Boateng both scored one more each. But the man of the match Tom Leahy scored two more to make his tally for the day four.

"Tom was superb, but the team performance was most impressive," said Mr Simpson. "The boys fed off each other's confidence and it turned out to be a great occasion. Thank you to all the parents who travelled to the match and supported their boys throughout the game. I firmly believe these boys can now push on and compete for more trophies in the years to come. If they display a positive mental attitude and work hard at their fitness and football ability they could all go on to achieve great things."

"Thank you to everyone who took the time to support our youngsters on this important occasion," added Mr Chotai "and my congratulations to the team - clearly their hard work has paid off with a great win in this competition."



Events, Fixtures and Educational Visits

7 May 2018 — Bank Holiday

7 May 2018 — Mud Run fundraiser

Tuesday 8 to Friday 11 May

8 May 2018 — Year 9 Geography trip to Rottingdean

10 May 2018 — Year 7 trip to AirJump to reward 100% attendance

11 May 2018 — Deadline for Year 12 into Year 13 applications

Forthcoming events: spring term

12 and 13 May 2018 — Bronze Duke of Edinburgh practice expedition

14 May 2018 — Start of external examinations

16 May 2018 — Year 7 Parents Evening

18 May 2018 — Key Stage 3 netball tour

24 May 2018 — Sixth Form Leavers' assembly

25 May 2018 — Year 13 Leavers' BBQ

28 May to 3 June 2018 — Half term

4 June 2018 — Head girl/head boy/senior prefect applications open

6 June 2018 — Dance trip to performance of *XENOS* at Sadlers Wells

6 June 2018 — Year 12 Drama trip to *Machinal* at the Almeida Theatre

7 and 8 June 2018 — Bronze Duke of Edinburgh qualifying expedition

11 June 2018 — Deadline for Head girl/head boy/senior prefect applications

12 June 2018 — Expressive Arts Show 5:00pm to 6:15pm

13 June 2018 — Head girl/head boy/senior prefect interviews

13 June 2018 — Year 6 into 7 Induction Evening

14 June 2018 — Year 12 Drama trip to *Fatherland* at the Lyric Theatre

14 June and 19 2018 — Year 6 into 7 Induction Interviews

Thrive shares the beat

On Monday 23 April, the Thrive dance group performed 'Stomp the Beat' at Ravens Wood School as part of the Step into Dance Spring Sharing Event.

"Ten other Bromley schools also performed at the event, and I was very proud of the high standard that Charles Darwin School students displayed," said Miss Abbotts, Head of Dance. "They were professional, committed and performed with energy and precision."

Thrive is now working towards an audition which could result in performing at the Sadler's Wells Theatre in London and the group's dedication to weekly rehearsals is fantastic.

"It was also Kennice Palmer's last performance with Thrive due to her GCSE commitments and I would like to congratulate her on the number of years she has dedicated to the company and the progress she has made in her dance ability," continued Miss Abbotts.

We wish them good luck for the forthcoming auditions.



Pupils for Praise

Duty pupils of the week ending
27/4/2018

Ben Norsworthy, Harvey Good,
Chardney Prata Neto, and
Elisha Gammon from 8SA
Mrs Mills, Reception



History Star of the Week

is awarded to Annabel Rice in 10MEd. Annabel has been working extremely well in history. In her recent Cold War exam she achieved a grade 9 which reflects her knowledge and understanding of the topic. She is enthusiastic and hardworking and her insightful contributions in lesson promote lively debate. Keep up the great work Annabel.

Mrs Ruth

Holiday revision reminder

Holiday revision classes are one of the many strategies in place to help our students to be as successful as possible in their GCSE exams and we are fortunate that members of staff are prepared to give up some of their holiday to provide this support.

Currently there are still some places available on the Year 11 holiday revision sessions scheduled from Tuesday 29 May to Friday 1 June in half term. Simply pay via ParentPay to sign up.

Please note when sessions are full they will no longer appear as an available item in ParentPay. Some sessions are repeated and students only need to attend one.

All students should aim to attend the maths revision session. Please book by Friday 19th May to ensure that sufficient revision materials are available. Thank you.

Ms Kelly

YEAR 7 PARENTS' EVENING AND REPORT COLLECTION

Wednesday, 16 May 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.