HEADLINES

National Enterprise Competition

It was really good to see our Year 9 students participate in the National Competition Enterprise Wednesday. This competition, sponsored by Rymans, interrupted by the snow in March and had to be rearranged. The atmosphere in the hall when I visited in the afternoon was superb - the students seemed really well engaged and focused and were obviously developing a very good understanding of some business and marketing concepts.

Year 7 Growth Mindset

On Thursday our Year 7 students received training from staff on revision techniques as part our Growth Mindset programme.

The students were given five different revision techniques which they can use for the forthcoming examination season. I understand the session went extremely well and I look forward to seeing the results in due course.

Sunil Chotai

Save the date Sports Awards 2018

celebrating sporting achievement in the 2017-18 season will be held on Wednesday 4 July at 7:00pm. Pupils will receive invitations via the PE department in due course.

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.

Mud run raises £500 for partnership school in Zanzibar



On Monday 7 May, 78 students, parents, friends, staff and members of the local community took part in a Nuclear Races' "mudstacle" event to raise much needed funds for our partnership school, Kojito Upele in Zanzibar. Year 10 students who took part also raised funds for their chosen charities this year, Mind and Rainbow Trust.

The Nuclear Races course uses both natural and man-made obstacles on a 1,600 acre site in Brentwood, Essex. On arrival, the 78 participants were divided into three groups to complete the course which featured a number of muddy obstacles, a death slide and a zip wire. The activities are suitable for all fitness levels and demonstrate the importance of communication and teamwork.

The money raised for Kojito Upele will supplement funds raised by Year 8 this year and Year 10 last year to provide much needed resources for the school. Twenty Sixth Formers will be visiting Zanzibar in July and whilst there, they will be teaching and carrying out community work to support the students of Kijito Upele. The school has over 3,900 students, aged from seven to fifteen years old, with up to 200 children taught in each classroom, learning without tables and chairs, sitting on the floor.

"Although the most important work we will carry out whilst we are there is teaching," explains Miss Miller, mud run organiser, "we would like to be able to take some resources for the school and to support our teaching. Any little extra help will make such a difference to this community."

The event had to be postponed in March due to severe weather conditions, but the warm weather on bank holiday Monday made the plunge into cold water on the death slide a much more attractive proposition.

"It genuinely was amazing with such a positive atmosphere," concluded Miss Miller, "and I was so proud of all of those involved."

If you would like to make a donation towards these resources please visit our fundraising page at

https://www.fundmytravel.com/campaign/kY5wXmXy5D

Pupil absence line: 01959 574043, option 1:







Duke of Edinburgh Awards

The new Duke of Edinburgh season starts in earnest this weekend with the Bronze expedition on Saturday 12 and Sunday 13 May. However last week provided an opportunity to celebrate last year's Bronze and Silver successes. Mr Culver, Miss Miller and I all attended the Bromley-wide celebration evening when all the students received their certificates and had a chance to reflect on a great achievement. Hopefully they take the memories forward into new challenges over the next couple of years.

Mr Simpson, PE



Events, Fixtures and Educational Visits

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

Monday 14 to Friday 18 May

14 May 2018 — Start of external examinations

16 May 2018 — Year 7 Parents Evening

17 May 2018 — Year 12 biosciences day at Roehampton University

18 May 2018 — Key Stage 3 netball tour

Forthcoming events: spring term

21 May 2018 — Friends' Year 7 & 8 fundraising football tournament from 3:30pm to 5:15pm

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

18 June 2018 — Head Girl/ Head Boy hustings

18 to 22 June 2018 - Internal exams

22 June 2018 — Year 12 Geography trip to Dungeness Power Station

22 June 2018 — Sixth Form summer ball

24 to 26 June 2018 — Silver Duke of Edinburgh practice expedition

25 to 29 June 2018 — Year 12 into 13 interviews

27 June 2018 —Year 12 Driven by Consequences

Pupils for Praise

Duty pupils of the week ending 4/5/2018

Erin Hartley, Harly Brady, Oscar Godwin and Becca Hilton from 8SAr

Mrs Mills, Reception

It's all in the DNA

On Tuesday 1st May, Year 10 GCSE Drama students went to see a performance of "DNA" by Dennis Kelly at the Southwark Playhouse. As this is the set text for their written this was a exam at GCSE, great opportunity to see the production performed live. The play was imaginatively brought to life 'in the round' and included live music, physical theatre motifs and several lighting effects. One talking point on the journey home was the decision the director made to change the names and genders of several of the characters. This impacted on our interpretation character of relationships and our understanding of their behaviour.

The Year 10's responded brilliantly to the performance and were fantastic throughout. Well done.

Miss Currie

Cheerleading successes



Congratulations to cheerleading team *ICE 5*'s youngest member Sharna Alleyne, in 9RMa and teammate Jessica Welsh in 11NYe who both took part in the annual Cheerleading and Dance World Championships in Florida from 28 to 30 April this year.

Twelve teams from the UK attended the event, including Kent-based Intensity Cheer Extreme's *ICE 5*, competing against each other with just three teams from each country going through to the finals.

Incredibly well done to all the members of *ICE* 5 who came through thousands of teams worldwide to reach the finals and be placed tenth overall in the world.

Congratulations also to Jessica Welsh on being selected for the England team and on representing her country at the same event.

Team England got through to the finals and performed exceptionally well to bring home the silver medal.

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