



16.11.2018

The Link Charles Darwin School

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HEADLINES

Remembrance Service

Last Sunday, I attended the annual Remembrance Service with our Head Girl and Head Boy, Anna Haskins and Paul Nash, to lay a wreath at the Biggin Hill War Memorial in honour of the fallen service men and women.

The Remembrance Service is always a very moving occasion, and this year it was even more so than usual it being the 100th anniversary of WW1 Armistice Day. The service was attended by a much larger number of local people than in the past and many of them were connected with the school in one way or another. The number of young people from our school present was impressive; their commitment towards the various organisations that were represented at the service was really good to see as was their sense of respect for the occasion. Anna and Paul's involvement on behalf of the school was also very pleasing.

We held our own act of remembrance in school on Friday and the rendition of The Last Post in the quad by Miss Mace, Head of Music, added a great deal to this important and significant occasion for our school community.

Christmas Star

At 5.00pm on Sunday, 18th November our very own Miss Candy will be switching on the Bromley Christmas lights. Miss Candy has been chosen as a "Local Hero" for her extensive work within the guiding community and will be switching on the lights in Market Square alongside Lesley Joseph, who I understand is starring in the Bromley Christmas pantomime. As well as teaching Science, Miss Candy is currently District Commissioner and has been an international adviser for the Guiding Association and has supported many girls in their fundraising for international trips and also led our school trip to Zanzibar this summer. This is, of course, a great honour and if any families are in Bromley on Sunday afternoon I am sure they will be proud to see Miss Candy and give her an extra cheer.

Sunil Chotai

U14s through to Quarter Finals



Congratulations to the U14 Football team who go through to the quarter finals of the Girls Kent Cup after a 2-0 win against Rainham School for Girls. Goal scorers were Emma Spear and Izzy Franklin. The girls put in a fantastic performance against tough opposition, one of the best games I have seen them play. All girls performed as part of a team with great communication on the pitch from their Captain Izzy Franklin. Well done girls a superb performance!

Miss Case

Year 9 Netball

Congratulations to the Year 9 Netball team who were runners up in the Bromley District Netball tournament last Thursday.

They had a convincing win over a number of schools to reach the final which included Langley Park School, Hayes, Darrick Wood and Bishop Justus. The girls played some fantastic Netball and were a pleasure to watch. Unfortunately they were beaten in the final by Colfes but gave them a very good game. Well done girls on a wonderful achievement.

Mrs L Wray

Christmas Raffle

The Friends of Charles Darwin School are pleased to announce the top prizes for this year's Christmas Raffle

- 1st Prize** Apple Air Pods
 - 2nd Prize** £75.00 Cash
 - 3rd Prize** Amazon Echo Dot
- Plus many other great prizes.

The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 20th December (at the School Production). We hope that you will support this great fundraiser and wish you the very best of luck in the draw.

Events, Fixtures and Educational Visits

Forthcoming events

Autumn Term

- 23 November 2018** - Year 9 and 10 Stand Against Violence
24 November 2018 - Year 7 singing at Biggin Hill Christmas Lights
26 November 2018 - Year 12/13 Physical Ed and Science trip
27 November 2018 - Year 12/13 Computer Science in Action trip
28 November 2018 - Year 12/13 Physics in Action trip
28 November 2018 - Year 12/13 Parents' Evening
30 November 2018 - PE trip Vitality Netball International Series - England v Uganda
5 December 2018 - Christmas Concert at St Mark's Church
6 to 9 December 2018 - Year 9/10 trip to German Christmas markets
7 December 2018 - Waitrose Christmas singing 2018
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
2019
11 January 2019 - Year 9 DTP/MENACWY vaccinations
16 January 2019 - Dance trip to see Matthew Bourne's Swan Lake
25 January 2019 - Deadline for Sixth Form Applications
30 January 2019 - Year 9 Growth Mindset
30 January 2019 - Dance Competition semi-final
6 February 2019 - Spring Music Fest
7 February 2019 - Year 8 Parents' Evening
11 February 2019 - Dance Competition final
4 to 7 March 2019 - Year 12 geography residential
6 March 2019 - Year 9 Parents' Evening
14 March 2019 - Year 8 Options Evening
27 March 2019 - Year 12 and 13 Parents' Evening [2]

Friends Update - November

All pupils should by now have brought their raffle tickets home and indeed some have now started to be returned to form tutors. Do prompt your child if you have not received the tickets as yet as we are hoping for an excellent return this year, particularly with Barclays supporting this event.

Amazon Smile – please see attached flyer detailing the extremely simple way you can raise funds for the school while doing your Christmas shopping at Amazon.

The Giving Machine – for all other Christmas shopping please sign up to The Giving Machine which once set up just means clicking an extra link to create “free” donations while you shop. The Giving Machine is supported by hundreds of retailers, including Argos, John Lewis, Marks and Spencer, Next and Debenhams!! A flyer is attached showing how to sign up to this site.

We hope that you will take just a few minutes to read the attached and to sign up – one of our PFA members has been using The Giving Machine for a few years now and their donations alone currently stand at over £200 for the school!

Many thanks for your attention, consideration and continued support.



Pupils for Praise

Duty pupils of the week ending 16.11.2018

William Reeves, Savannah Howell, Olivia Howe and Keeley Danneau, 8MCR

Mrs Mills, Reception

PARENTS EVENINGS 2018/19

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

HISTORY STAR OF THE WEEK

Lewis Longley 7WCa

Lewis has made an amazing start to Year 7, he is enthusiastic, very conscientious and has just recently completed a super essay using not only classwork knowledge but information he found out from his wonderful research homework. Well done Lewis continue being fabulous.

Mrs Quinn



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



Pupil absence line: 01959 574043, option 1:

Parents/carers must phone before 08:30 with a full reason on every day of their child's absence.



DANCE

**Charles Darwin School
Year 7-13 Dance Competition
Monday 11th February 2019**

**Deadline for application forms
to Mrs Rees or Miss Abbotts
by
Friday 23rd November**

2019

**Application forms and details can still be collected from
Main reception**

REMEMBRANCE BOOK

Thank you to all those who entered a name in our Book of Remembrance, which was opened last week as part of our work to commemorate the centenary of the end of the First World War. The invite was to include the names of a relative or acquaintance who has died in any conflict since 1914. Names included in the book:

Eusebius John Rouse who died in Egypt in 1917. Aged 22.
Sargent James Colin Francis who died in the Battle of Loos in 1915. Aged 24.
Horace Garlick who died in Italy in 1943. Aged 21.
Valdrius Wolfzaris who was a German POW in July 1916. Aged 29.
Marianne Van Weezel who died in Sobibor Concentration camp in 1943. Aged 50.
Private Hangier who died at the Somme in July 1916. Aged 21.
Michael Lamb who died in Ypres, Belgium in 1917. Aged 23.
Able Seaman William Corke who died at Battle of Jultand in 1916. Aged 19.
Private William Corke. Enlisted two weeks after his son died (above). Died in France in 1917.
James Wilson who died during his evacuation from France in June 1940 when his ship was sunk.
Frederick Gillam who died on May 3rd 1917 and is remembered in an unmarked grave.
Sidney Munday who died in Ypres in April 1918. Aged 21.
George Dewberry. Lost when his ship was sunk by a U-boat in the English Channel in 1915.
Charles Owen who died in action in Loos in 1915.
Edward Crane who died in France in August 1918.
Ernest Waddington who died November 1918 six days before the birth of his second son. Aged 26.

Also in the book are the names of the 56 men commemorated on the Farnborough Village war memorial.

Lest we forget

