



## Year News

### Year 7

Congratulations to all the Year 7 pupils who were involved in the Romeo and Juliet production. Good luck to the Year 7 Basketball team who are going to play in the Kent Cup Match next Tuesday (20<sup>th</sup>).

Well done to the following people who have gained 50 merits: Eleanor Mann, Chloe Ellis, Ryan Clarke, Callum Laing (JR), Ruby Kessell (SAS) and Parmis Salem (MPL). Their names will be entered into the draw for an iPod.

Well done to the following earnest readers from 7AJS, all managing to devour four books over Christmas: Natasha Gukhool, Ruby Wise, Anith Raveendran and Susie Davies with five books. A special mention goes to Ellen Peirson-Hagger who read a massive ten books over the holidays! Keep up the good work and remember to go for quality reads. Ms Casey

### Year 9

I would just like to congratulate Michael Yeouart (9RSM) on the progress he is making at Millwall F.C. Centre of Excellence. In his latest report, Michael achieved 'Excellence' in Awareness and Application, both at home and away fixtures. However, when a Millwall coach says that you're sometimes too aggressive, it's time to worry! C Morris

### Year 10

Well done to everyone in Romeo and Juliet, especially Elliot Behan and Faye Howe who had the leading roles. Good luck to the girls' football team who have forthcoming games and a cup game.

Congratulations to Amber Madden-Nadeau who passed her grade 5 trombone, Webster Bryans who passed his grade 6 trumpet and Craig Tuffin who passed his grade 4 flute.

And finally, for anyone who is interested in celebrating Chinese New Year, contact Huong Lan Lee (10RJS) or Christine Liang (10JLG).

By Erin Bullions (10RHS) and Ghislaine Mgbokwere (10RJS)

A big thank you to everyone who donated "Let's Grow" Morrisons vouchers. We collected 1353 in all which was great. We have purchased a potato barrel and many packets of seeds for use by the gardening club when this restarts after half term.

Mrs H Bridge - Science Department

### Year 11

We hope that your mock exams went well and you are all pleased with your results, unfortunately those of you who do double science have another exam. Good luck with that! Now there is one more term before we leave school on study leave, we hope that nobody leaves everything to the last minute. 11CAH

## And ...

### World Challenge Ecuador/Peru 2010

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm there will be a meeting in the School Hall for any parents whose sons or daughters have the chance of going to Peru instead of Ecuador in 2010. These students know who they are - names are on the World Challenge Board outside M2. If you have any questions before this do please contact me and we look forward to seeing you there.

Miss Fisher - Head of Classics

### Quiz Night

We are holding a quiz night on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2009 at St John's Church, Danson Lane, Welling, 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm start. Tickets are £5 each (chqs payable to BGS). All monies to go to BGS Music Dept Scholarship fund. Tickets are available from Finance Office.

### Year 13 Parents

Finance England is due to release further info re: student finance in early February. Please follow this link for further information:

[http://www.studentfinanceengland.co.uk/portal/page?\\_pageid=73,3080117&\\_dad=portal&\\_schema=PORTAL](http://www.studentfinanceengland.co.uk/portal/page?_pageid=73,3080117&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL)

Mrs Mallin

## Reminder

The Governors' Briefing to Parents on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January has been postponed.

## Important IB dates for English:

Year 13 Oral commentary STANDARD  
Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb

Year 12 Oral presentations Higher + Standard  
Fri 6<sup>th</sup> March

Year 13 Oral commentary HIGHER  
Mon 16<sup>th</sup> March

## Examination Information:

Year 11  
GCSE Double Science exam Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 8.30am in the Gym

*Please arrive in school at least 15 minutes before your exam begins and wait in the Canteen area.*

\*Please remember that from January 2009 if you are taking a GCE or GCSE exam and wish to bring a bottle of water with you all labels on the bottle must be removed.\*

### Words with international roots

*Legerdemain (noun) ~ French*

1. *Sleight of hand*
2. *A display of skill, trickery, or artful deception*

### Archery Club

Archery Club is cancelled until Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Jan when it will recommence in the gym.

Looking ahead:

Archery is also cancelled on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Feb due to the House Dance competition. J Brewer

### Christian Union

Continuing this month's theme of Daniel and the Lion, we have a guest speaker coming into school to talk about the story next week. Everyone, as always, is welcome - Thursday, L4, 3:15pm.

M Harris

### Mr Goodman's Close Shave!

Before the holidays Mr Goodman and the Wings of Hope team spent weeks collecting sponsorship for Mr Goodman to get his head shaved!

The event happened (resulting in Mr Goodman sporting a Mohican) a week before the Christmas holidays. Although we collected a few hundred pounds in sponsorships, we now need to collect in this money. So if you sponsored Mr Goodman, some of the team will be coming around to form rooms during academic monitoring next week (week starting 19/01), or alternatively, please give your sponsor money to Mr Goodman in G4! If you didn't get around to sponsoring Mr Goodman before the event, you're still welcome to sponsor him (again, just see him in G4). Please try and get your Sponsorship money in to us by the end of January! Thanks.

Team Squiggle, Wings of Hope

### Recycling

Congratulations to Ellie Holmes (7AJS) who is this half term's 'Bin it to win it' winner. She has won a £10 Bluewater voucher. Remember to recycle your empty plastic bottles in the bin provided (write your name and form on the bottle) for your chance to win.

Mrs Wieck

## Finally:

### Books for Schools

From January 11<sup>th</sup>, Books for Schools tokens will appear every day in The Times and The Sunday Times. We can exchange these tokens for free books of our choice from a catalogue of 170 titles. There will be 12 tokens printed every week, and with books starting at only 10 tokens, you don't have to be a regular Times reader to make a real difference to our collection. Please collect as many tokens as you can and give them to your son or daughter to bring to school. Tokens can be deposited in the special collection boxes situated opposite reception on the main staircase or in the Library. We will be placing our first book order at the end of this term, so please make sure we have all your tokens before the Easter holidays begin.

Many thanks, in advance, for your help. Mrs McAllister (Librarian)