



## BGS Summer Fayre and Sports Day

What a wonderful Saturday! We were so lucky with the weather that a few staff members who hadn't followed the advice that they had drummed into their tutees last week have found foreheads, ears and noses peeling this week...

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this spectacular event, whether before, during or after. Being the second year as a whole school event, its overwhelming success has placed it firmly in the annual calendar. Next year it falls on Saturday 12th June - please put it on your calendar or programme it into your phone now!

Prothero House raised the most money (congratulations) but the day was, of course, about enjoying the fayre with friends and family, supporting the wonderful achievements of our students in sport and involving as many people from the local community as possible.

The Parents' Association did a wonderful job of coordinating the collection and counting of the cash on the day and although the picture is not finalised, it is clear that the event raised over £4,000 to support the PA fundraising campaign for improving the facilities for students at break and lunchtime. Congratulations to everyone!

This year we had an official photographer, a member of the PA, who took some stunning photographs, especially of the sports events. In addition to several casual photographers on the staff, we now have hundreds of colourful images of the day. We are putting some of these on the website and are showing many of them on the display screens in the entrance foyer and the canteen.

Thank you again to our sponsors this year who contributed some very attractive prizes and/or made donations to our fundraising:

- Adventure Island (Southend)
- Bexleyheath and Belvedere Hockey Club
- Crook Log Sports Centre
- 'Curves' Fitness Club
- Leeds Castle
- Pizza Hut
- Nandos
- Quasar Elite

### Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June ~ School Production 'Crazy for You'

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July ~ School Production 'Crazy for You'

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July ~ School Production 'Crazy for You'

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – early closure 2.20pm**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July ~ Summer Concert

Finally, thank you all for supporting us - we hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did. See you on Saturday 12th June 2010 .....

Mr Elphick



I would like to convey my thanks to everyone (you know who you are) who helped in any way to make this year's Tea Shoppe such a success. We were able to contribute over £200 to the fund-raising effort. All the cakes and scones were made in-house. A special mention should go to the Yr12 Curriculum Enrichment Foodskills students who made the excellent Victoria Sandwiches – stiff competition for M&S. Perhaps we should have made a banner: "Not just food.....BGS food!"

Mrs Coldicott

Can I thank everyone who took part in the Dog Show. The total raised was £214.10; £30 was donated to the PA the remainder to Hearing Dogs for the Deaf.

Many thanks, Miss Bobin Sign Language Teacher

Many thanks to all those who helped out with Sports Day this year. It was a fantastic day with pupils working so hard to achieve the best results they could. It was a very close competition with the lead constantly changing throughout the day. However, ultimately there does have to be a winning team and this year Collins came through as victorious with Johnson second and Wellman third. Special thanks must go to the House Captains who were fantastic and organised their teams with precision for all of the events. Obviously the weather helped but it was a brilliant day with both spectators and competitors alike contributing to a very enjoyable spectacle of fun and enjoyment.

Mr Boyle

## Year 7

I am very pleased to say that the Year 7 examinations went very smoothly last week. Students have told me that they worked extremely hard for their tests and I am hopeful that their commitment will be reflected in a set of outstanding results. Pupils will be given their full Year 7 report to take home on the last day of term but if any parent has concerns about how the examinations went they should feel free to contact their son or daughter's form tutor to discuss the matter. Mr Brown

## Year 10

Last week the Year 10 Art students went to Tate gallery. They did many sketches and had a great day looking at the masterpieces. It was a very fun day out and beneficial to completing our art coursework. Year 10 Art students

Well done to all the drama students who performed their plays to the Year 9 students last week.

James Roberts 10MTR

## Years 11 and 12

Congratulations to the 22 students from Years 11 & 12 who took part in this year's Company Programme as part of Young Enterprise. In addition to their fantastic performance at the borough final, all students have passed the Young Enterprise OCR accredited exam – Well Done!

Miss Taylor

## Music

On Monday 22nd June, we have an examiner from Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music visiting the school, and instrumental exams will be taking place all day in the Hall. Good luck to all those who are entered!

Ms Swadkin

## Sports News

Congratulations to the Year 7 boys' cricket team, who beat St Dunstan's College last Thursday to put them into the ¼ finals of the Kent Cup Cricket Competition. Chiraag Kerai bowled excellently getting a hat-trick in one over and bowling very tightly for his remaining overs. In fact if it wasn't for a few loose overs St Dunstan's would have struggled to score anything as the fielding was very sharp. Unfortunately we made it quite nail biting in the end. After a good start with the bat, we suddenly had a collapse with Chris Goodchild eventually steering the team to victory with some powerful shots securing the victory with 8 overs and 1 wicket to spare. The boys will have to up their batting game for next week's ¼ final v Skinners on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Good luck.

Mr Boyle

## ADT Department

We are happy to report another successful Key Stage 2 Transition project run by ADT teacher, Mr Roberts.

Year 6 children from Danson Primary school came over to BGS for two Design and Technology lessons on CAD CAM. They designed and made a personalised acrylic school ruler using the Laser Cutter. This was the second time the project has run and was equally if not more successful than the first. Feedback from the children was very positive stating that they enjoyed the project very much and would like to have stayed longer. Tentative arrangements have been made for a follow up project in June 2010.

Mrs Wieck

## Merits

Congratulations to Samantha Morito, Jonathan Sargent, Brandon Gomes and Sharon Omorodion (7MPL) who have achieved 50 merits. Their names will be entered into the draw for an iPod.