



## Royal Society

### Book Judging Competition

Seven students from Year 7 have spent the last six weeks meeting regularly with Miss Woodcock and Miss Shaughnessy to decide which book should win the Royal Society Young People's Book Prize.

This book prize celebrates the best books that communicate science to young people and is open to books in which science is a substantial aspect of the book's content, narrative or theme and which are written for young people aged up to 14.

The judging panel: Isabelle Howard, Ben Szczegolski-Jacobs, Natasha Sidhu, Sarah Henderson, Adam Dykes, Joseph Herne and Bethany Blackie voted 'What Goes on in My Head?' by Robert Winston as the winner with 'How the World Works' by Christiane Doring (illustrated by Beverley Young) as a close second.

If you would like to have a look at the shortlisted or winning books, visit the library and have a read!

*Miss Woodcock and Miss Shaughnessy*

**Our next competition will be to design the front cover for 'Lord of the Flies' by William Golding – if you are interested come to the library on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 12.50 for our initial meeting!**

*Miss Woodcock and Mr Gilmore*

## Year 9 Report

Firstly, we would like to say well done to all those people that participated in House drama. It was a great day and all of the Houses put on a great show for all to see. The results were as follows: 1st – Collins, 2nd – Johnson, 3rd – Kirkman, 4th – Mabbs, 5th – Prothero, 6th – Wellman.

This week we have held our Open Mornings and Evening, where some of the year group have helped. Consequently, we had a half day on Tuesday and came in a lesson later on the Wednesday, about which the whole year group were very pleased.

It is unbelievable to think the first half term is over, it seems like it was only yesterday that we were elected the new prefects, how time flies by. We hope that you all have an

## Forthcoming Events

Monday 24<sup>th</sup>- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October ~ Half Term  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November ~ Year 8 Parents' Evening

excellent half term break and return ready and refreshed for the next half term. *Amy Dykes and Dermot Cudmore 9MGL*

## Year 8 Report

On Monday and Tuesday, the Year 8s showed around prospective Year 7s and their parents. The mornings were a great success and we would like to say thank you to the Year group.

*Miss Ampong and the Year 8 prefects.*

## Sports News

The Year 7/8/9 Girls' Football team played Harris Academy in the league on Tuesday evening and won 7-3. Bianca Bastos Figueiredo scored a hat trick, Gemma Le Conte, Romily Bobby, Skye Willis Barrett and Madison Wright all scoring one goal. The player of the match was Bianca Bastos Figueiredo. Well done girls. They are now 2<sup>nd</sup> in the league.

A strong Year 13 football team takes to the field this season and although we're just getting started in the season, the squad is looking promising and should challenge on all three fronts; the Kent Schools League, the English Schools FA Cup and the Kent Cup. A perfect start to the league campaign has seen 3 wins out of 3 so far, including wins of 2-0, 4-2 and an incredible match that ended 7-4 after the side had been 3-0 down after 15 minutes and 4-2 down at half time. Our successes have also stretched into the ESFA Cup with a romping 13-0 win over Harris Academy (Purley). The team is aiming to finish the entire Sixth Form unbeaten after a winning streak that stretches back to Year 11. The early signs are promising for the team and we are hopeful of carrying on this form for the rest of the season, after making an exceptional start.

*Alex Jones (1<sup>st</sup> XI Football Captain)*

All this week's results can be found on the website: [www.bexleygs.co.uk](http://www.bexleygs.co.uk). – Curriculum – PE results.



Joe Kelly kicks off on his birthday

## Rugby

Our Year 10 team returned to action this week with their Met-Kent league cup final against Bonus Pastor Catholic College. The boys produced a strong performance against talented opposition and won the game 41-14. The tries were shared throughout the team, scored by Bobbi Enebi, Dan Thomas, Tayo Sijuade, Joe Masters, Freddie Evans, Charlie Parker and James Jones. This is a well-deserved victory for a team that displays great bravery and skill, and excellent sportsmanship at all times. Well done. *Mr Lines*

## Culture Club

Our first visit to The National Theatre, one of our favourite venues, known for its innovation and ground breaking productions, brings us the exciting prospect of *Juno and the Paycock* on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm. Set in Ireland in 1922, the time of the civil war, this black comedy presents a family torn apart by the ups and downs of Dublin in the time of crisis. This will appeal to those students who are studying history or those of you who have read Angela's Ashes or enjoy tempestuous drama. Come to the English office for a letter to avoid disappointment.

*Ms Hanington & Ms Stoddard*

## Charity News

Thanks to everyone for their donations on our first Genes in Jeans day. Most of the money has now been collected, and the votes counted and verified! We had some additional donations in our collection on top of the £1 for non-uniform, and the money raised for each charity is as follows: £541.22p for Jeans for Genes, £516.99p for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust, and £348.70 for the Spina Bifida Association - altogether totalling £1,406.91p.

Many thanks again to everyone for taking part. Look out for details of our next charity day coming soon...!

*Mr Harris*

## Merits

Well done to Jenetha Raveendran 7EFM on reaching 50 merits this half term.

A fantastic effort that shows a lot of hard work.

*Mr Pullen*

## Parents' Association

### Millennium Club ~ September winners

**1st £20 Catherine Stock Year 10 parent no.117**

**2nd £15 Mrs Yeap Year 11 parent no.283**

### Millennium Club ~ October winners

**1st £20 Janice Lewis Year 12 parent no.219**

**2nd £15 Mike Cudmore Year 9 parent no.46**